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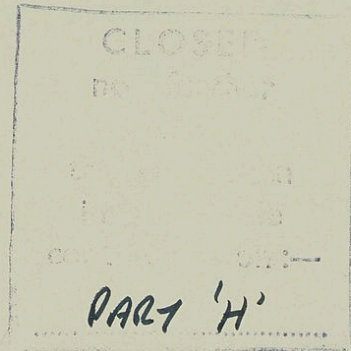
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HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

Telegram No. 1731

22 November, 1967

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My immediately preceding telegram.

Information for Peking.

We have received information indirectly that the Embassy feels it is not getting enough information about current events in Hong Kong. We have therefore drafted a condensed version of our weekly assessment which we suggest could be passed to Peking. A similarly edited version will be produced weekly if you agree.

Sir D. Trench

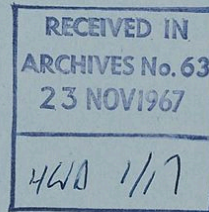
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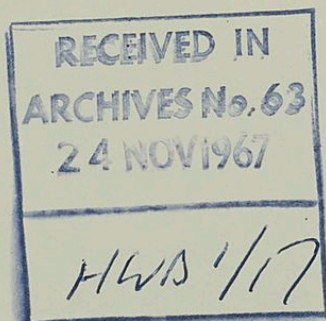
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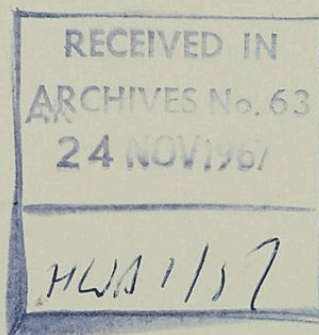
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HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

Telegram No. 1730

22 November, 1967

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For Peking. Weekly Assessment 13 - 20 November.

Principal features :-

(a) 48 genuine and 255 hoax bombs reported of which seven exploded. During one incident seven bombs were thrown into a compound of a police station, three exploding; a Gurkha broadcasting centre in N.T. was damaged by a bomb placed against a wall.

(b) Minor brief demonstrations both in the streets and Magistrates Courts.

(c) Two minor border incidents and the replacement shunting engine sent by us to Shumchun has been plastered with subversive slogans.

(d) Communist Press propaganda has mainly been in support of students, urging Opposition to "Slavish Education System", criticising court cases against students and publicising protest meetings in schools.

2. Police counter-action continued mainly against bomb planters and manufacturers, a number of whom were arrested. Two more members of the Standing Committee of the A C A P S C were arrested bringing to five the number from this Committee in police or prison custody.

3. Communist attempts to improve morale in Unions continue. At one Union meeting it was alleged that the British had asked Peking to negotiate over Hong Kong, thus indicating a weakening of attitude. It was stated that, if these negotiations broke down, the A C A P S C planned to launch a Colony-wide attack, including demonstrations and violence, aimed at forcing the British to surrender and admit guilt.

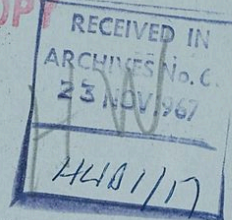
4. Increased political activity has continued in Communist schools. Students have given political stage performances and described "police ill treatment" at Union meetings. Government suppression has been denounced and the "Seventeen Principles" of educational reform issued by the education circles A P S C have been extolled in school meetings attended by pupils, teachers and parents.

5. The claim made at a Union meeting concerning "negotiations" between Britain and Peking may be no more than a morale booster for the activists in this Union. However, it could be an attempt by the militants in the Communist camp to force the pace, and any alleged "failure of negotiations" could be used by them as an excuse to expand street violence at any time in

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the future. Whilst local Communists continue their effort to attract members to frequent meetings and study groups at Union premises, and to heighten the level of indoctrination in schools, as part of the campaign to consolidate their ranks, the daily total of true and hoax bombs provides a constant pressure on the Security Forces, designed no doubt to create tension in the Colony and a flow of material for Communist propaganda.

Sir D. Trench

[Repetition to Peking referred for departmental decision]

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For CDS, Chairman COSAUST, CDS NZ Sitrep 20 November 1967.

1. Hong Kong

- a. Bomb incidents. The number of true bombs planted averaged two a day except for a surge on 14 and 15 Nov during which thirty six were found. Hoax and false bombs still average over fifty a day. Explosion by charge placed against wall of Gurkha Broadcasting Centre (outside perimeter of Sek Kong camp) caused slight damage to building.
- b. Police raids throughout Colony have continued during the week resulting in fireworks, pamphlets, grenade casings, fuses and in one case 506 detonators being recovered.
- c. Disturbances. Police opened fire with buckshot on two occasions and with small arms fire once during week dealing with unruly crowds usually about 100 strong.
- d. Border. Senior Inspector Knight returned to British territory 200750 H. Further details awaited.

2. Thai Malah Border. There were two contacts between Communist terrorist and border police on 9 and 10 Nov at QZ 108384 and QY999092. No casualties reported on either side. 7 Communist suspects arrested QY 9912 on 11 Nov 67.

3. Deployments.

Navy. HMS DAMPLER left station 15 Nov en route to UK.
Air. 5 Vulcans arrived Tengah via westabout route.

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HONG KONG TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Telegram Unnumbered 16 November, 1967

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Press Report.

160120. Attention Glover.

Seven people were injured when an object thrown from a flat in Queens Road West near Hollywood Road exploded at half past eight last night Wednesday. The explosion occurred when a party of police was cordoning off an area outside number seventy seven Queens Road West where Ballistic Officers were dealing with a suspicious object believed to be a bomb. Following the explosion a crowd began to gather near the scene. The crowd refused to disperse despite repeated warnings. The police then fired five rounds of tear gas to disperse them. One round from the Greener gun was also fired at a person who was about to throw an object into the street from the rooftop of one of the buildings.

Ends informs.

Sir D. Trench

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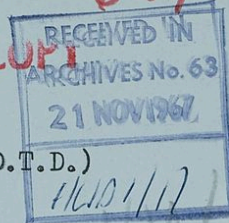
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Telno. 1720

20 November 1967

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Addressed Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1720 of 20 November.
Repeated for information to POLAD Singapore, Washington and Canberra.

For Commonwealth Office and Cabinet Office for JIC.

Following from LIC.

Weekly assessment of the situation as at 200600 hours follows in two parts (part one only for Canberra):-

Part 1.

The principal features of the Communist confrontation during the period have been:-

(a) The continuation of bomb incidents. 48 genuine and 255 "hoax" bombs were reported of which 7 exploded. A youth was injured by a device he picked up in the street and 7 civilians were injured by a bomb thrown at a police cordon party. During one incident, 7 bombs were thrown into the compound of a police station: 3 exploded. On 15 November, at Sek Kong military camp, a bomb placed against the wall of the Gurkha broadcasting centre caused slight damage to the building. No further injuries were caused and there were no known instances of the use of gelignite.

(b) A number of minor, short lived demonstrations, both in the streets and at Magistrates' courts. A number of arrests were made.

(c) The continued comparative calm of the border area, broken only by minor incidents at Sha Tau Kok. On 15 November a small bomb was thrown from Chinese territory (C.T.) at a military disposal team dealing with a "hoax" bomb planted near Sha Tau Kok police post, and on 19 November a civilian in C.T. fired a shot from a small calibre weapon at a Gurkha sentry outside the Sha Tau Kok clinic. No injuries were caused by either incident. On 14 November at Lo Wu, a new shunting engine was sent into C.T. to collect goods wagons. It returned painted with inflammatory slogans and bearing a portrait of Mao. The engine crew were required to chant Mao thoughts when they entered C.T.

(d) The continuation of anti-British propaganda in the Communist Press: the main theme has been to urge students to oppose government's "slavish education system". Criticism has been levelled at court cases against students of Communist controlled schools and publicity given to related protest meetings held on school premises. The new Public Order Bill has been described as a "Fascist Law" and an amendment to the legislation on citizen's power of arrest attacked as an "attempt to control Chinese by Chinese". The arrest by police of two members of the Standing Committee of the All Circles Anti-Persecution Struggle Committee (paragraph 2 refers) was condemned and appeals made for "firm counter attacks against the enemy".

/". Police action

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2. Police action against Communist targets continued, mainly in connexion with the arrest of bomb planters. A number of persons were arrested in possession of small quantities of explosives, fireworks and inflammatory documents and another bomb manufacturing centre neutralised. On 14 November two members of the Seventeen Member Standing Committee of the All Circles Anti-Persecution Struggle Committee (ACAPSC) who are leading personalities in local Communist film circles, were arrested by police and are detained under the provisions of the Deportation of Aliens Ordinance. This brings to five the number of people of this Committee who are in police or prison custody.
3. The Communist attempt to improve morale within labour circles has continued and numerous union meetings have been held urging the study of Mao, support of the dollar campaign and "united front" work. At one meeting it was alleged that the British had asked Peking to open negotiations regarding Hong Kong, thus, it was claimed, indicating a weakening of attitude. It was stated that, if these negotiations broke down, the ACAPSC planned to launch a colony wide attack, including demonstrations and acts of violence, with the object of forcing the British to surrender and admit their guilt. During other meetings unemployed and part employed workers who are not strikers received disbursements of cash and food purchased from "dollar campaign" funds. At the Federation of Trade Unions Workers Club, 400 members of various trades held an "anti unemployment, anti starvation" meeting, during which government was denounced for causing unemployment, permitting United States to use the colony as a base and closing Man Kam To bridge "thus hindering the import of China products and increasing the cost of living".
4. Increased political activity has continued also in Communist controlled schools. Students have attended a number of meetings at union premises where they have described their "ill treatment by police" or given political stage performances. At further meetings, on school premises, attended by teachers, students and parents, government "suppression" has been denounced and support advocated for the "seventeen principles" of educational reform issued by the education circles APSC. At one of these meetings, two female students described the death of their parents, one by alleged carelessness in a government clinic and the other by government "fascist violence" in the streets.
5. The claim made at a union meeting concerning "negotiations" between Britain and Peking may be no more than a morale booster for the activists in this union. However, it could be an attempt by the militants in the Communist camp to force the pace, and any alleged "failure" of "negotiations" could be used by them as an excuse to expand street violence at any time in the future. Whilst local Communists continue their efforts to attract members to frequent meetings and study groups at union premises, and to heighten the level of indoctrination in schools, as a part of the campaign to consolidate their ranks, the daily total of true and

/"hoax" bombs

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"hoax" bombs provides a constant pressure on the security forces, designed no doubt to create tension in the colony, and a flow of material for the Communist propaganda media.

Foreign Office pass Priority Washington as my 387 and Canberra 146.

Sir D. Trench

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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE

(D.T.D.)

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Situation Report for period 081200 to 160800. My telegram 1664. *(612)*

Bomb incidents fluctuated somewhat during the week as follows:-

Day	Reports	True	Hoax
8/9	77	4	58
9/10	61	6	38
10/11	83	9	11
11/12	55	1	34
12/13	45	7	27
13/14	59	2	39
14/15	88	21	56
15/16	66	15	43

Wednesday 8th November:

In Kowloon at 1900 the auxiliary crew of a police patrol car arrested two bomb planters. A hostile crowd surrounded them and threw a bomb which exploded. One bomb planter attempted to escape and was shot dead. One member of the crowd was killed by the bomb, and all eight of the police party and 34 passers-by were injured; one young girl subsequently died in hospital and a boy lost an eye.

Thursday 9th November.

At 1000 Cheung Chi Man, the man injured on a minefield on the 11th October, crossed the border at Lowu accompanied by China Travel Services officials who rejected the services of an ambulance and insisted on Cheung taking the train. There were no incidents accompanying this return. At 1750 a true bomb was found outside the Sha Tau Kok police post, and stones and bottles were thrown at the military demolition team. In the evening the police launched an operation to clean up the Wanchai area where many bomb incidents have taken place. 21 premises were raided but nothing incriminating was found, and no arrests were made.

Friday 10th November.

A number of hoax bombs were found near Government buildings at 0640 in Kowloon plain clothes police chased two hoax bomb planters, one of whom was shot and arrested. In Hong Kong two Communist middle school students were arrested, for possessing inflammatory posters and uttering inflammatory speeches. There was a minor demonstration in Kowloon. At Sai Kung in the New Territories a grenade was thrown at a bomb disposal party, but did not explode. There were a number of hoax bombs and some stone throwing at Sha Tau Kok.

Saturday 11th November.

Early in the day, a suspected bomb planter was arrested in a /Resettlement

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Hong Kong telegram No. 1696 to Commonwealth Office

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Resettlement Estate in Kowloon. In Hong Kong a girl student was arrested when about to post inflammatory mosquito leaflets. A boy was arrested with a subscription book for 'Anti-Unemployment and Anti-Starvation' donations.

Sunday 12th November.

Sunday 12th was fairly quiet with 45 bomb reports. A school-boy was slightly injured when he picked up a tin which exploded. The Communist Pui Kiu Middle School celebrated its 18th anniversary with broadcasts of speeches and slogans, but there were no incidents. A bridge on the approach road on the Shatin side of the newly completed Lion Rock tunnel was slightly damaged by an explosion.

Tuesday 14th November.

At 0230 the police raided a small bomb factory in the Sha Ki Wan and seized some fuses, two grenade casings and a booby trap; five persons were arrested. Between 0100 and 0500 the police carried out a number of raids in the Shatin and Tai Po areas of the new territories in order to forestall any interference with the official opening of the Lion Rock tunnel. A number of inflammatory posters and firecrackers were seized and 8 men, including three village representatives were arrested. The opening passed off without incident. There was a minor disturbance at Central Magistracy when the 52 members of the Heung To School arrested on the first came up for trial. Two women were arrested and charged with disorderly conduct. At 1915 in the central district of Hong Kong Island, 7 bombs were thrown into the waterfront police station. 3 of which exploded without incident. One of the bomb throwers, a boy, was arrested. At 1920 a crowd of about 150 was dispersed with gas cartridges near the Western Market. Two prominent members of the Anti-Persecution Committee were detained for questioning.

Wednesday 15th November.

At 2015 a real bomb was discovered in Queens Road West. After the bomb was detonated, a bomb was thrown from a nearby rooftop injuring seven civilians; police later fired gas shells to disperse a curious crowd. At 2120 in Sha Tau Kok an army team dealing with a bomb near the police post, which later proved to be a hoax, was attacked by a bomb thrown from C.T. There were no casualties. No separate assessment follows this telegram as in the past, since that contained in my telegram 1678 generally covers the period. We propose to follow this procedure in future unless you see any objections.

Sir D. Trench

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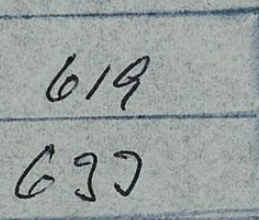
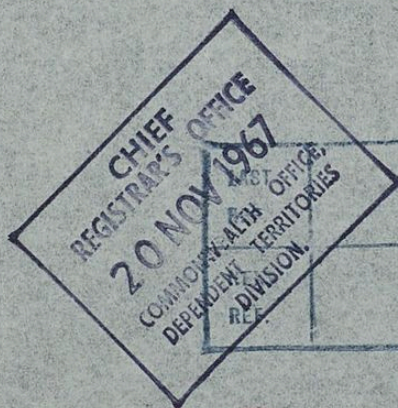
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10th August refers.

I enclose two copies of the report
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	Week 9/15th Nov.	Week 1/8th Nov.	Total since 11th May
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1. CASUALTIES

Police	killed	-	1	3
	injured	18	6	196
Military	killed	-	-	1
	injure	-	1	25
Other uniformed Services	killed	-	-	1
	injured	-	-	4
Opposition	killed	1	-	25
	injured	3	3	319
Others	killed	2	-	13
	injured	1	23	250
Burials by Government of unclaimed bodies	-	-	-	23
Other Burials	3	-	-	15
Bodies still unclaimed	-	-	-	*

2. POLICE USE OF FIREARMS

(a) Gas used	2	2	86
(b) Ball ammo used	3	3	60
(c) Casualties killed	1	-	17
injured	1	-	43

3. ARRESTS (14.11.67.)

Total arrests	19	57	4211
Released (without charge)	4	9	1871
Acquitted	1	4	375
Convicted	11	14	1792
In prison	975	1032	1376
Remanded/Awaiting Trial	160	159	*
Pending	8	6	*
Died in Custody	-	-	5

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9/15th
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Nov.Total since
May3. ARRESTS (cont)

Detention orders under Emergency Regulations 31	-	-	3
Deportation Orders under Emergency (Deportation Detention) Regulations	-	-	22
Deported	-	-	-

Analysis of Convictions (14.11.67)

Riot	-	-	317
Unlawful Assembly	-	-	462
Breach of Cu few	-	-	232
Inflammatory Speeches	-	-	78
Inflammatory Posters	5	3	175
Intimidation	-	-	159
Possession of bombs:			
Real	-	1	22
Hoax	4	2	33
Other Offences	2	8	314

4. DAMAGE(a) Property

Government Buildings	-	3	44
Banks	-	-	24
Cinemas/Theatres	-	-	6
Other Buildings	-	-	41
Parking Meters	87	4	2556

(b) Vehicles

Government (incl. Police)	-	-	23
Buses	-	-	38
Trams	-	-	7
Taxis	-	2	24
Public Cars	-	-	6
Other vehicles	1	2	66

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	9/15th Nov.	1/8th Nov.	Total since May
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5. BOMBS

Reports	534	755	6914
False Alarms/Hoaxes	476	626	5640
Explosions	10	3	230
Bombs detonated	24	129	1044
Bombs found by Police search	7	3	121
Explosives recovered (sticks) Gelignite	-	-	146
Dynamite	-	-	562
Casualties/Police/Public			
Killed	2	1	10
Injured	49	34	319
Suspected terrorists:			
Killed	1	-	6
Injured	2	1	16

6. POLICE RAIDS

Opposed	-	-	8
Unopposed	109	52	1001

7. CRIME

Hong Kong Island	-	-	3
Kowloon	-	-	5
New Territories	-	-	1

8. ATTACKS ON THE SP. AND CIVIL WORKERS

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	9/15th Nov.	1/8th Nov.	% of last year	Average Retail Price \$/C. tty	Normal Price
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SAXME (Nos)

Local	4,582	2,177		3.20	3.20
China	33,622	29,193	90%		
Overseas	150	200			
	38,354	31,570			

CATTLE (Nos)

Local	11	5		4.00	3.30
China	3,313	2,870	110%		
Overseas	943	838			
	4,267	3,713			

VEGETABLES (Piculs)

Local	43,024	43,368		.50c.	.45c.
China	52,233	68,629	75%		
Overseas	8,800	6,100			
	104,107	119,097			

FISH (piculs)

Local	17,614	22,019		2.70	1.60
China	155	201	90%		
	17,769	22,220			

RICE (tons)

China Imports	1,724	1,040	130%	.80c.	.80c.
Other Imports	3,036	2,090			
Offtake	5,360	5,300			
	98,700	99,300			

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C. TRANSPORT REPORT

	Buses 15th Nov.	Passengers daily average 7/13th Nov.	Buses 8th Nov.	Passengers daily average 31/10 to 6/11	Passengers pre- disturbance daily average	Percentage of pre-disturbance total
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	425	1,241,459	403	1,267,137	1,868,369	66.4%
China Motor Bus Co.	292	433,048	280	449,005	569,438	76%
Hong Kong Tramways	156 + 22	394,808	156 + 22	423,584	479,544	82.3%
	Week ending 13th Nov.	Tonnage	Week ending 13th Nov.	Tonnage	1966	
K.O.R. Wagons	583	5,044	643	7,483	959	62%
River Boats	94	5,031	208	21,125	345	30%

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STAFF POSITION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND UTILITY COMPANIES
13th November, 1967.

	Strength prior to disturbance	No. dismissed after strike	Number Reinstated	Now Employees	Present Strength	Percentage of pre- disturbance total
Star Ferry	590	590	339	69	456	77%
Hong Kong & Kowloon Ferry	1,885	115	10	78	1827	97%
Hong Kong Tramways	1,713	679	2	694	1431	84%
China Motor Bus Co.	2,360	1,273	80	577	1068	71%
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	7,194	4,907	790	1,193	4142	58%
Hong Kong Electric Co.	978	148	12	73	874	89%
China Light & Power	2,745	709	52	430	2514	92%
Hong Kong & China Gas	548	334	170	64	407	74%

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SINGAPORE WASHINGTON AND CANBERRA.

FOR COMMONWEALTH OFFICE AND CABINET OFFICE FOR J.I.C.

FOLLOWING FROM L.I.C.

WEEKLY ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION AS AT 13TH NOVEMBER 0600 HOURS

FOLLOWS IN TWO PARTS (PART 1 ONLY FOR CANBERRA) :-

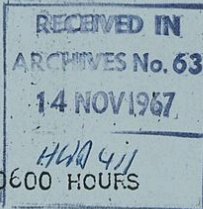
PART 1

THE PRINCIPAL FEATURES OF THE COMMUNIST CONFRONTATION DURING THE
PERIOD HAVE BEEN :-

(A) THE CONTINUATION OF BOMB INCIDENTS ON A REDUCED SCALE BUT MARKED
BY THE USE OF MORE POWERFUL DEVICES. 38 GENUINE AND 253 HOAX BOMBS
WERE REPORTED. 6 EXPLODED ON IMPACT OR PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL OF
DISPOSAL TEAMS. ON 6 NOVEMBER A GELIGNITE BOMB, THROWN AT A POLICE
PATROL WHICH HAD ARRESTED TWO BOMB PLANTERS, CAUSED INJURIES TO 6
AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICERS AND 34 CIVILIANS. ONE OF THE BOMB PLANTERS
WAS SHOT DEAD BY POLICE WHEN HE ATTEMPTED TO ESCAPE, AND A MEMBER OF
A HOSTILE CROWD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BOMB ATTACK WAS KILLED BY A
BOMB FRAGMENT. ON 7 NOVEMBER A POWERFUL GELIGNITE BOMB CAUSED DAMAGE
TO THE APPROACH ROAD TO THE NEWLY COMPLETED LION ROCK TUNNEL.
THIS APPEARED TO BE A DELIBERATE SABOTAGE ATTEMPT.

(B) A DEMONSTRATION ON SCHOOL PREMISES ON 7 NOVEMBER BY 14 GIRL
PUPILS OF THE GOVERNMENT BELILIOS PUBLIC SCHOOL WHO ATTEMPTED TO
INTIMIDATE SCHOOL STAFF INTO RE-ENTATING A PUPIL RECENTLY
EXPULLED FOR BREACH OF DISCIPLINE. ALL WERE ARRESTED AND CHARGED
WITH 'DISORDERLY CONDUCT' (TELEGRAM 1664 REFERS). (617)

(C) THE CONTINUED COMPARATIVE CALM OF THE BORDER AREA WHICH WAS
BROKEN AT SHA TAU KOK BY YOUTHS FROM C.T. WHO PLANTED HOAX BOMBS AND
POSTERS IN B.T. AND THREW A FEW STONES AND BOTTLES AT SECURITY
FORCES DISPOSING OF THEM. TWO REAL BOMBS WERE ALSO FOUND AT SHA TAU
KOK. ON 9 NOVEMBER THE HONG KONG RESIDENT INJURED BY A BRITISH
MILITARY MINE AT MAN KAM TO ON 11 OCTOBER AND TAKEN INTO CHINA FOR



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MEDICAL TREATMENT, RETURNED TO THE COLONY VIA LOWU. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE (C.T.S.) REPRESENTATIVES AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN HIM IN CHINA, CHOSE TO TRAVEL TO KOWLOON BY TRAIN RATHER THAN IN THE AMBULANCE PROVIDED BY GOVERNMENT. HE HAS SINCE ENTERED A GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL, OF HIS OWN VOLITION, FOR FURTHER TREATMENT.

(D) A STATEMENT ISSUED ON 8 NOVEMBER BY THE EDUCATION CIRCLES ANTI-PERSECUTION STRUGGLE COMMITTEE (E.C.A.P.S.C.) LISTING 'SEVENTEEN PRINCIPLES' TO BE FOLLOWED BY COMMUNIST SCHOOLS. THESE INCLUDE THE STUDY AND PROPAGATION OF MAO'S THOUGHTS, SUPPORT FOR THE LOCAL CONFRONTATION STRUGGLE, UNITY WITH THE 'MASSES' AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REFORM IN EDUCATION SIMILAR TO THAT NOW UNDERWAY IN CHINA.

(E) THE CONVICTION ON THE LESSER CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER, OF A POLICE N.C.O. AND TWO CONSTABLES ACCUSED OF THE MURDER OF A COMMUNIST PRISONER IN JUNE, 1967. THE N.C.O. WAS SENTENCED TO 8 YEARS IMPRISONMENT AND BOTH CONSTABLES RECEIVED 6 YEAR SENTENCES. SEMICOLON APPEALS AGAINST CONVICTION ARE PENDING.

(F) THE CONTINUATION OF VIRULENT ANTI-BRITISH PROPAGANDA IN THE COMMUNIST PRESS, WITH ALLEGED GOVERNMENT 'SUPPRESSION' OF PRISONERS AND STUDENTS AS THE MAIN THEME. THE CONVICTION OF 3 POLICE OFFICERS FOR THE MANSLAUGHTER OF A PRISONER HAS BEEN TERMED 'A GOVERNMENT ATTEMPT TO CLEAR ITSELF OF CRIMES BY SACRIFICING 3 CHINESE POLICEMEN'. POLICE OFFICERS HAVE BEEN CALLED ON TO 'LEARN A LESSON FROM THE BETRAYAL' AND TO JOIN THE COMMUNIST CAUSE. STATEMENTS IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS REFERRING TO THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT AS IMPERIALISTIC HAVE ALSO BEEN GIVEN PUBLICITY.

(G) THE CONTINUED SUPPLY OF FOOD AND OTHER PRODUCE FROM CHINA. THE NUMBER OF GOODS WAGONS ENTERING THROUGH LOWU HAS REMAINED AT ABOUT PRE-CONFRONTATION LEVEL. MAN KAM TO ROAD BRIDGE IS STILL CLOSED.

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2. POLICE ACTION AGAINST COMMUNIST TARGETS CONTINUED ON A SOMEWHAT REDUCED SCALE, MAINLY IN CONNECTION WITH ARRESTS OF BOMB PLANTERS. A BOMB MANUFACTURING CENTRE WAS DISCOVERED AT THE PREMISES OF THE COMMUNIST CONTROLLED PLUMBERS' UNION AND FOUR MEMBERS OF THIS UNION, INCLUDING AN OFFICE BEARER, WERE ARRESTED. RAIDS WERE CARRIED OUT IN THE NEW TERRITORIES IN SEARCH OF THREE MEN WHO SEIZED A SERVICE REVOLVER FROM A POLICE CONSTABLE IN YUEN LONG MARKET ON 6 NOVEMBER. A NUMBER OF SUSPECTS HAVE BEEN DETAINED BUT THE REVOLVER HAS NOT YET BEEN RECOVERED.

3. THE CAMPAIGN TO IMPROVE MORALE WITHIN COMMUNIST LABOUR CIRCLES HAS CONTINUED WITH NUMEROUS UNION MEETINGS AT WHICH MEMBERS HAVE BEEN URGED TO ATTEND TWICE WEEKLY 'STUDY GROUPS', TO SUPPORT THE 'DOLLAR CAMPAIGN' AND TO DEVOTE THEMSELVES TO 'UNITED FRONT' WORK.

AT ONE MEETING THE UNION CHAIRMAN OUTLINED A DIRECTIVE HE ALLEGED HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE ALL CIRCLES ANTI-PERSECUTION STRUGGLE COMMITTEE (A.C.A.P.S.C.), WHICH STATED THAT A SUPPLY OF POWERFUL BOMBS WAS AVAILABLE FOR USE AGAINST EUROPEANS BUT THAT FURTHER CLASHES WITH CHINESE POLICEMEN AND INJURIES TO COMPATRIOTS SHOULD BE AVOIDED. AT A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS (F.T.U.) AFFILIATED UNION REPRESENTATIVES WERE INFORMED THAT PROPAGANDA AIMED AT PORTRAYING GOVERNMENT AS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HIGH LEVEL OF UNEMPLOYMENT WAS THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THE CURRENT 'DOLLAR CAMPAIGN'. IT WAS STATED THAT PROPAGANDA SHOULD ALSO BE DIRECTED AT SUBVERTING CHINESE POLICE.

4. POLITICAL ACTIVITY IN COMMUNIST CONTROLLED SCHOOLS HAS INCREASED FOLLOWING MAO'S CALL FOR EDUCATIONAL REFORM IN CHINA AND THE ISSUE OF 'SEVENTEEN PRINCIPLES' BY THE A.C.A.P.S.C.. ALMOST HALF THE INSTRUCTIONAL PERIODS IN THE COMMUNIST SCHOOLS ARE CURRENTLY DEVOTED TO POLITICAL STUDY AND TO MAINTAINING THE STUDENTS' 'REVOLUTIONARY FERVOUR'. NORMAL LESSONS ARE BEING DISRUPTED BY THE STUDY OF MAO'S WORKS AND BY REHEARSALS OF POLITICAL PLAYS TO BE STAGED BY STUDENTS AT TWO COMMUNIST THEATRES DURING LATE NOVEMBER. THE SCRIPTS OF THESE PERFORMANCES INCLUDE REFERENCES TO CONFRONTATION IN INDONESIA

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AND MACAU BUT NO MENTION IS MADE FOR HONG KONG. THE RECENT DIRECTIVE GIVEN BY MAO TSE TUNG FOR EDUCATION REFORM IN CHINA INVOLVES PRIMARILY VIRTUAL ABANDONMENT OF THE EXAMINATION SYSTEM WITH INCREASED POLITICAL STUDY, AND IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN HOW FAR THESE METHODS CAN BE INTRODUCED IN HONG KONG WITHOUT COMING INTO CONFLICT WITH GOVERNMENT.

5. THERE ARE NO INDICATIONS THAT THE COMMUNISTS INTEND TO ABANDON THEIR CAMPAIGN OF VIOLENCE AT PRESENT BUT THEY MAY TRY TO BE MORE SELECTIVE IN THEIR FUTURE CHOICE OF TARGETS, IN LINE WITH THEIR STEADILY INCREASING UNITED FRONT WORK TO GAIN THE SUPPORT OF A WIDER SECTION OF THE PUBLIC. HOWEVER, THE STATEMENT ATTRIBUTED TO THE A.C.A.P.S.C. AND THE APPARENT SABOTAGE ATTEMPT NEAR THE LION ROCK TUNNEL MAY PRESAGE THE USE OF MORE POWERFUL AND SOPHISTICATED EXPLOSIVE DEVICES.

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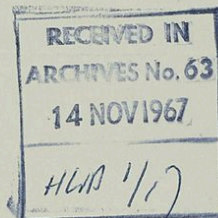
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For CDS, Chairman COSAUST, CDS NZ Sitrep 13 Nov 67

1. Hong Kong

A. Bomb incidents. The number of true bombs planted during the week dropped to about 5 a day but the number of hoax and false bombs was above the average. On 8 Nov police shot and killed 1 of 2 Chinese males planting a bomb in Kowloon. They also killed the ringleader of the crowd which subsequently assembled. A second bomb thrown near the crowd injured 41 civilians and 8 police.

B. Border. There have been 2 incidents of stone throwing at Sha Tau Kok at members of bomb disposal team dealing with bombs. 9 Nov. The Hong Kong Chinese civilian injured by mine on 11 Oct (correct SEACOS 156 para 1 B (Z)) and treated by the Chinese at Shum Chun hospital was returned to Hong Kong

2. Deployment

Navy. HMS MARYTON left station 8 Nov en route to UK. HMS CAMBRIAN, INTREPID and ZEST joined station on 8, 9 and 12 Nov respectively.

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To the Secretary of State for the Colonies

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	Week 1/8th Nov.	Week 15th Oct/ 1st Nov.	Total since 11th May
<u>1. CASUALTIES</u>			
Police killed	1	-	8
injured	6	3	188
Military killed	-	-	1
injured	1	1	25
Other uniformed Services killed	-	-	1
injured	-	-	4
Opposition killed	-	-	24
injured	3	14	316
Others killed	-	-	11
injured	23	1	209
Burials by Government of unclaimed bodies	-	-	23
Other Burials	-	-	12
Bodies still unclaimed	-	-	*

2. POLICE USE OF FIREARMS

(a) Gas used	2	-	84
(b) Ball ammo used	3	1	57
(c) Casualties killed	-	-	16
injured	-	1	42

3. ARRESTS

Total arrests	57	85	4192
Released (without charge)	9	3	1867
Acquitted	4	13	374
Convicted	14	15	1781
Died in custody	-	-	5
Remanded/Awaiting Trial	159	135	*
Pending	6	-	*

* figure inapplicable

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	<u>1/8th Nov.</u>	<u>15th Oct/ 1st Nov</u>	<u>Total since May</u>
3. ARRESTS (cont)			
Detention orders under Emergency Regulations 31	-	-	3
Deportation Orders under Emergency (Deportation & Detention) Regulations	-	-	22
Deported	-	-	-

Analysis of Convictions

Riot	-	-	317
Unlawful Assembly	-	-	462
Breach of Curfew	-	-	232
Inflammatory Speeches	-	6	78
Inflammatory Posters	3	1	170
Intimidation	-	4	159
Possession of bombs:			
Real	1	-	22
Hoex	2	3	29
Other Offences	8	1	312

4. DAMAGE(a) Property

Government Buildings	3	-	44
Banks	-	-	24
Cinemas/Theatres	-	-	6
Other Buildings	-	-	41
Parking Meters	4	-	2469

(b) Vehicles

Government (incl. Police)	-	1	23
Buses	-	-	38
Trams	-	-	7
Taxis	2	-	24
Public Cars	-	-	6
Other vehicles	2	-	65

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	<u>1/8th</u> <u>Nov.</u>	<u>25th Oct/</u> <u>1st Nov.</u>	<u>Total since</u> <u>11th May</u>
5. <u>BOMBS</u>			
Reports	755	523	6380
False Alarms/Hoaxes	626	439	5164
Explosions	8	2	220
Unexploded bombs found as a result of reports	129	84	936
Unexploded bombs found as a result of search	3	4	114
Explosives recovered			
(sticks) Gelignite	-	-	148
Dynamite	-	-	562
Casualties/Police/Public			
Killed	1	-	8
Injured	34	1	270
Suspected Terrorists:			
Killed	-	-	5
Injured	1	-	14

6. POLICE RAIDS

Opposed	-	-	8
Unopposed	52	15	892

7. CURFEWS

Hong Kong Island	-	-	3
Kowloon	-	-	5
New Territories	-	-	1

8. ATTACKS ON TRANSPORT AND OTHER WORKERS

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	1/8th Nov.	25th Oct/ 1st Nov.	% of last year	Average Retail Price \$/Catty	Normal Price
<u>SWINE (Nos)</u>					
Local	2,177	1,726		3.20	3.20
China	29,193	33,002	76%		
Overseas	200	395			
	31,570	35,123			
<u>CATTLE (Nos)</u>					
Local	5	7		4.00	3.80
China	2,870	2,881	80%		
Overseas	838	1,304			
	3,713	4,192			
<u>VEGETABLES (piculs)</u>					
Local	43,368	44,937		.45c.	.45.
China	68,629	58,151	95%		
Overseas	6,100	4,400			
	119,097	106,488			
<u>FISH (piculs)</u>					
Local	22,019	28,694		2.40	1.60
China	201	433	115%		
	22,220	29,127			
<u>RICE (tons)</u>					
China Imports	1,040	1,500	125%	.80c.	.80c.
Other Imports	2,090	500			
Offtake	5,300	4,000			
Stock end week	99,300	101,000			

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	Week 25th Oct/1st Nov	Week 18th/25th Oct.	Total since 11th May
<u>1. CASUALTIES</u>			
Police killed	-	-	7
injured	3	1	182
Military killed	-	-	1
injured	1	-	24
Other uniformed Services Killed	-	-	1
Injured	-	-	4
Opposition Killed	-	-	24
Injured	14	2	313
Others Killed	-	-	11
Injured	1	-	186
Burials by Government of unclaimed bodies	-	2	23
Other Burials	-	-	12
Bodies still unclaimed	-	-	*

2. POLICE USE OF FIREARMS

(a) Gas used	-	-	82
(b) Ball ammo used	1	1	54
(c) Casualties killed	-	-	16
injured	1	-	42

3. ARRESTS

Total arrests	85	23	4135
Released (without charge)	3	2	1858
Acquitted	13	41	370
Convicted	15	26	1767
Died in Custody	-	-	5
Remanded/Awaiting Trial	135	81	*
Pending	-	-	*

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	25th Oct/ 1st Nov.	18/25th Oct.	Total since May
3. ARRESTS (cont)			
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Inflammatory Speeches	6	3	78
Inflammatory Posters	1	6	167
Intimidation	4	9	159
Possession of bombs:			
Real	-	4	21
Hoax	3	2	27
Other Offences	1	5	304

4. DAMAGE(a) Property

Government Buildings	-	-	41
Banks	-	-	24
Cinemas/Theatres	-	-	6
Other Buildings	-	-	41
Parking Meters	-	67	2465

(b) Vehicles

Government (incl. Police)	1	-	23
Buses	-	1	38
Trams	-	-	7
Taxis	-	-	22
Public Cars	-	-	6
Other vehicles	-	-	63

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	Week 25th Oct/1st Nov.	Week 19th/ 25th Oct.	Total since 11th May
5. BOMBS			
Reports	523	392	5405
False Alarms/Hoaxes	439	328	4538
Explosions	2	2	212
Unexploded bombs found as a result of reports	84	64	857
Unexploded bombs found as a result of search	4	-	111
Explosives recovered (sticks) Gelignite	-	-	148
Dynamite	-	-	562
Casualties/Police/Public			
Killed	-	-	7
Injured	1	-	236
Suspected Terrorists:			
Killed	-	-	5
Injured	-	4	13

6. POLICE RAIDS

Opposed	-	-	8
Unopposed	15	45	840

7. CURFEWS

Hong Kong Island	-	-	3
Kowloon	-	-	5
New Territories	-	-	1

8. ATTACKS ON TRANSPORT AND OTHER WORKERS

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	25th Oct/ 1st Nov.	18/25th Oct.	25th Oct/ 1st Nov 1966	Average Retail Price \$/Catty	Normal Price
<u>SWINE (Nos)</u>					
Local	1,726	2,118	3,695	3.20	3.20
China	33,002	36,282	38,013		
Overseas	395	549	299		
	35,123	38,949	42,007		
<u>CATTLE (nos)</u>					
Local	7	5	44	4.00	3.80
China	2,881	2,514	3,474		
Overseas	1,304	2,837	1,416		
	4,192	5,356	4,934		
<u>VEGETABLES (piculs)</u>					
Local	43,937	43,937	31,611	.45c.	.45c.
China	58,151	58,151	58,200		
Overseas	4,400	4,400	5,000		
	106,488	106,488	94,811		
<u>FISH (piculs)</u>					
Local	28,694	20,325	20,460	1.70	1.60
China	433	197	506		
	29,127	20,522	20,966		
<u>RICE (tons)</u>					
Stock	103,000	104,000		.80c.	.80c.
China Imports	1,500	1,300			
Other Imports	500	1,400			
Offtake	4,000	3,700			
Stock end week	101,000	103,000	70,000		

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C. TRANSPORT REPORT

	Buses 1st Nov.	Passengers daily average 24th/30th Oct.	Buses 25th Oct.	Passengers daily average 17.23rd Oct.	Passengers pre- disturbance daily average	Percentage of pre disturbance total
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	390	1,229,228	393	1,122,290	1,869,369	65%
China Motor Bus Co.	282	422,787	264	390,306	569,488	74%
Hong Kong Tramways	157	397,924	158	305,708	479,544	83%

	Week ending 30th Oct.	Tonnage	Week ending 23rd Oct.	Tonnage	1966	
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K.C.R. Wagons	806	10,025	717	5,821	1,073	75
River Boats	198	20,779	136	13,126	245	60

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D STAFF POSITION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND UTILITY COMPANIES
30th OCTOBER, 1967.

	Strength prior to disturbances	No. dismissed after strike	Number reinstated	New Employees	Present Strength	Percentage of pre- disturbance total
Star Ferry	590	590	389	69	456	77%
Hong Kong & Yamati Ferry	1,885	115	10	78	1,830	97%
Hong Kong Tramways	1,713	679	2	616	1,356	79%
China Motor Bus Co.	2,360	1,273	60	494	1,595	68%
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	7,194	4,907	777	1,051	3,925	56%
Hong Kong Electric Co.	978	148	12	58	860	88%
China Light & Power	2,745	709	52	416	2,504	91%
Hong Kong & China Gas	548	334	170	60	408	74%

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FROM SECRETARY JIC.

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FOLLOWING IS EXTRACT FROM WEEKLY SURVEY OF INTELLIGENCE DATED 9/11/67
HONG KONG (SECRET)

THE RECENT INCREASE IN BOMB INCIDENTS HAS CONTINUED AND HAS RESULTED
IN THREE DEATHS, A BRITISH POLICE OFFICER AND TWO CIVILIANS SHOT BY
THE POLICE, AND A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF OTHER CASUALTIES. ALTHOUGH
THERE HAVE BEEN SHORT-LIVED DEMONSTRATIONS AND ALTHOUGH THE COMMUNIST
PRESS HAS CONTINUED ITS VIRULENT ANTI-BRITISH PROPAGANDA, THE USE
OF A COMBINATION OF GENUINE AND HOAX BOMBS IS STILL THE COMMUNISTS'
MOST EFFECTIVE WEAPON IN THEIR EFFORTS TO DISRUPT THE LIFE OF THE
COLONY. IT MUST BE EXPECTED THAT THEY WILL CONTINUE TO RESORT TO
VIOLENT MEASURES WHENEVER THIS SUITS THEIR BOOK. THE IMMINENCE OF THE
CANTON TRADE FAIR STARTING ON 15TH NOVEMBER MAY, HOWEVER, RESULT
IN A TEMPORARY DECREASE IN VIOLENCE UNTIL THE FAIR ENDS IN MID-
DECEMBER. THE GROUP OF SENIOR COMMUNIST LEADERS WHO WENT TO CANTON
LAST WEEK ARE STILL IN CHINA AND IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THEY ARE
REVIEWING THE NEXT STEPS IN THEIR CONFRONTATION CAMPAIGN IN CONCERT
WITH THE COMMITTEE THAT HAS BEEN FORMED IN CANTON FOR THIS PURPOSE.
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PRESS

082350 Attention Glover SITREP. Two people were shot dead and thirty-nine others including seven auxiliary policemen were injured tonight Wednesday in a bomb explosion at junction of Prince Edward Road and Lai Chi Kok Road in Kowloon.

The trouble started shortly after 7 p.m. when an emergency unit car was on patrol with nine auxiliary policemen on board. As they approached junction of Prince Edward Road and Lai Chi Kok Road they saw some people planting suspicious objects on pavement.

Police car stopped and auxiliary policemen immediately alighted and after a chase they arrested one man who was seen planting suspicious objects.

As police officers were taking the man back to police car they were attacked by a crowd of people. Policemen fired two shots hitting two men who were later certified dead on arrival at Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

Shortly after police opened fire one of suspicious objects exploded injuring a total of thirty-nine people, including seven auxiliary policemen.

Police later cordoned off area and made a search of area and found two real bombs which were later detonated. One person has been arrested.

A total of forty-one casualties including two dead were sent to hospitals.

A hospital spokesman said tonight that altogether thirty-four people have been detained for treatment. They include six auxiliary policemen, one prisoner and twenty-seven civilians.

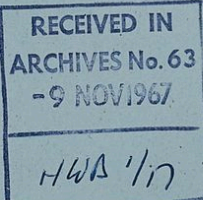
Except for one policeman whose condition is said to be serious, condition of five other policemen and prisoner is described as satisfactory. Condition of all civilians with exception of a boy who is seriously injured ranges from fair to good. Ends Inform.

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Attention Glover.

An explosion occurred at San Tin Rural Committee building in Uen Long of New Territories at six o'clock this Wednesday morning. There was nobody in the building at the time but door and windows were damaged. It is believed explosive device was thrown through a window. Police are carrying out investigations at scene.

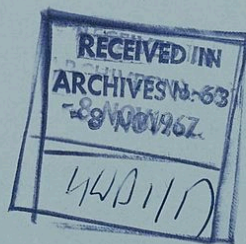
Two (repeat two) men were injured when a bomb thrown at a police station in Kowloon exploded just outside the station entrance last Tuesday night. One of the injured was making a report at police station and the other was walking past the station at time of explosion. They were both admitted to Queen Elizabeth hospital and their condition was described as good.

Ends Informs.

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1665 of
8 November
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Canberra.

Latest figures are: killed 45: 8 police, 1 military,
1 fire services, 14 definite opposition and 11 others.
Injured 742: 188 police, 25 military, 4 fire services,
316 opposition and 209 others. Arrests are 4192:
1867 released, 374 acquitted, 1781 convicted, 165 awaiting
trial/remanded and 5 dead. 1032 are serving prison sentences.

2. The Communist Press has continued to criticise Hong Kong
week as a plot against Chinese goods and an attempt by the
Government to present a false facade of peace and stability.
The high level of bomb activity during this period was obviously
designed to counter the week by causing the maximum disruption
of traffic and normal life. The increased number of hoax bombs
(80% of reports) indicates a Communist aim to create maximum
difficulties for the authorities with minimum effort without
consequential adverse publicity on casualties.

3. Union meetings have continued to stress the new Mao
directives and support of the dollar campaign to which the
response has not been good. There have also been meetings
in Left Wing schools to oppose 'enslaving education' and to
urge inclusion of Mao's thoughts in the school curriculum.

4. On 5th the Communist Press put forward four demands on
behalf of the Left Wing prisoners. This theme and further
demonstrations are likely to recur.

5. The first floor of the new Man Kam To Police Post has
been completed, and work is still continuing. Trains from
Canton and food supplies continue to arrive normally. It
would appear that China has settled for a slightly lower level
of pig exports to Hong Kong at a higher wholesale price.
107 illegal immigrants were arrested in the period, 79 from
China, 28 from Macao. This represents a considerable increase
of over 24 arrested the previous week.

6. Although the Left Wing Press has continued to play up
information of the Kwangtung Committee as supporting the Hong
Kong struggle, there appears to have been little active response
to this body locally. It seems likely that the Canton Trade
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Fair on the 15th will lead to a decrease in violence, though this cannot be relied upon.

C.O. please pass Priority Washington as my telegram No. 371 and Canberra as my 141.

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Addressed Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1664 of 8 November.
Repeated for information to POLAD Singapore, Washington and Canberra.

Sitrep for period 020800 to 081200: Your telegram No.2238.

Bombs reported have remained at a high level. The figures for the period are: 2/3, 141 reports (32 real): 3/4 81 (12): 4/5 87 (14): 5/6 188 (40): 6/7 82 (7): 7/8 51 (6): 80 per cent of the reports are hoax bombs. Casualties during the period were one killed and 33 injured.

2. 2 November was one of the worst days for bombs reported. Traffic was held up in many places during the morning and evening rush hours. A bomb disposal officer was injured. At the North Kowloon Magistracy there was a small disturbance and the Court had to be cleared when the schoolchildren arrested on the 1st appeared in Court and were remanded. In the evening, there were further small demonstrations at the China Merchants Wharf in the Western District of the Island and in Nathan Road, Kowloon. Two bombs were thrown into a Kowloon Police Station injuring four members of the public.

3. On Friday 3rd a number of lorries bearing slogans urging the buying of Chinese products were driven through Hong Kong. In Kowloon two men were arrested in separate incidents for planting fake bombs. Two girls were arrested for painting inflammatory slogans.

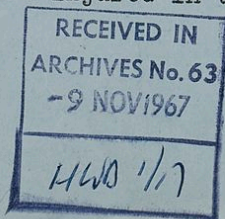
4. Saturday 4th was a fairly quiet day apart from a true bomb outside the Jockey Club. The Races passed off without incident. There were a number of Police raids but no arrests.

5. Sunday 5th was one of the worst days of the present campaign. In the morning in Kowloon six bomb planters were arrested, one seriously injured by the bomb he was carrying.

6. At 1035 a Cathay Pacific Convair 880 aircraft crashed into the harbour on takeoff. Of 127 passengers one was killed and 21 detained in hospital.

7. In the evening in an attempt to disrupt the Grand Final Pageant of Hong Kong Week, bombs were planted on many roads on the Island and traffic was held up for several hours. At 1840 a small demonstration took place in the Wanchai District but dispersed when the Police fired two gas cartridges. In the same area four P.C.s were injured by a bomb thrown at their Landrover. A further two policemen were injured by a bomb thrown by a man in Central District. At 2200 hours Senior Inspector Msewan was killed while moving a bomb from the tram track near the stadium. One policeman and 20 civilians (including boy scouts assisting the police) were injured in the same incident.

/8. On 6th a P.C.



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8. On 6th a P.C. in the New Territories was attacked and his revolver stolen. Police mounted a widespread search. The three policemen accused of murdering a prisoner in June were found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to eight and six years imprisonment. The Left Wing Press greeted those sentenced as "scapegoats" and said this was a warning to the Police.

9. As a result of the disturbances in Stanley Prison on 1 November (my telegram No. 1625) the Left Wing prisoners involved had their privileges withdrawn, including visitors. On 2nd and 3rd about 100 relatives who were refused admission shouted outside the prison. Over the weekend winter clothing was issued, and on 6th relatives were allowed to visit and dispersed without incident. The Communist Press continues to publicise "demands" made by the prisoners' relatives.

10. On the 7th 14 girl pupils at a government school shouted Mao slogans and demands in an attempt to intimidate the staff. They were arrested and charged with obstructing the Police. At 2020 four men hi-jacked a public car and threw a bomb at the Sham Shui Police Station in Kowloon, slightly injuring two members of the public. Police raided 11 premises.

11. On 8th there was an explosion at the San Tin Rural Committee Office in the New Territories.

12. During the period covered by this Sitrep Police carried out raids on 52 suspected premises and discovered quantities of chemicals for manufacturing bombs as well as inflammatory posters.

13. On the border on 3 November there was a broadcast twice repeated at Lo Wu stating that the establishment of the Kwangtung Anti-British Struggle Committee represented increased support for the Hong Kong struggle.

C.O. pass Priority Washington, as my telegram No. 370 and Canberra as my 140.

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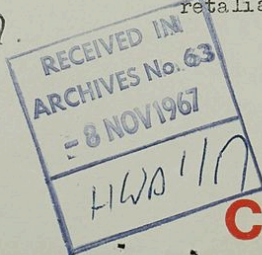
Hong Kong.

a. Bomb incidents. Apart from lull on 31 Oct and 1 Nov incidents have continued at a relatively high rate. 5 Nov. In Kowloon, police opened fire on 6 persons seen planting bombs. One man hit and taken to hospital. On Hong Kong Island, European police inspector killed when removing bomb from tram tracks in Wanchai area. 5 other police and 21 civilians injured by other bombs in same area.

b. Disturbances. 1 Nov. Prisoners in Stanley Prison demonstrated against food and lack of winter clothing. 11 prisoners injured when group of 50 clashed with prison staff. Smaller disturbances outside prison on 2 and 3 Nov dispersed without police intervention. In Kowloon, on 1 Nov, 53 students arrested without trouble after surrounding two policemen during a demonstration.

c. Border. Man Kam To bridge remains closed. pm 30 Oct crowds up to 500 gathered at bridge. Broadcasts made complaining about closure. About 1600H crowd of 70 stoned barrier. Attempts thwarted by 1/6 GR using white phosphorous grenades after CS grenades had proved ineffective due to the wind. Militia retaliated with 3 stick grenades. Final attempt to remove barrier

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by about 40 civilians occurred at 1720H. Attempt foiled using white phosphorous grenades. Border since quiet. CCA were seen to prevent civilians from throwing stones at Man Kam To on 3 Nov.

d. Police raids continue.

2. Thai Malay Border. Joint Thai/Malaysian border patrols contacted groups of Communist terrorists on 28 and 29 Oct, in Perlis and Kelantan border areas. Inconclusive exchanges of fire ensued.

3. Shackleton of 205 Squadron on flight Gan to Singapore crashed into sea at 040727Z in position 0050N 9512E after fire in starboard outer engine. 3 survivors of crew of 11 picked up by HMS AJAX.

4. Deployments.

a. Navy. HMS RELENTLESS and HMS NUBIAN left station 4 Nov en route UK.

b. Army. 2/10 GR relieved 2/7 GR in Hong Kong 5 Nov. 2/7 GR complete return to Sungei Udang 7 Nov less small sea rear party.

5. Exercises.

HANDSEL (6 to 20 Nov) takes place in Kota Belud training area in Sabah with aims to practice HQ 99 Gurkha INF BDE and HQ 224 Mobile GP RAF in movement techniques and in operation of a joint force HQ. WN Second Phase 1/2 GR carry out counter revolutionary warfare training with Gurkha Indep Para Coy in support and 2/2 GR acting as enemy.

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Mr. Hall

Lord Shepherd suggested this morning that we send a telegram to Hong Kong expressing concern about the load that bomb incidents were placing on the police and inviting them not to be tardy about asking for any bomb disposal assistance they might need from the Services, since it was Lord Shepherd's understanding that Singapore could help.

2. I do not think we can do this without embarrassment. Four bomb disposal experts have already been flown in from Singapore; the Ministry of Defence are proposing to bill the Hong Kong Government for movement costs and to raise daily capititation charges. It is likely that Hong Kong know about this through local channels. In the circumstances, I do not think they would be amused by a telegram on the lines discussed.

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Mr. Godden

Sir A. Galsworthy

Minute of 6/11

With respect, I would agree with para. 2 of Mr. Carter's minute above. In all the circumstances, it may be advisable to leave the Governor and his military & police advisers to make the running if they feel the situation demands it.

*Mr. Carter
MR. Hall
To see Lord
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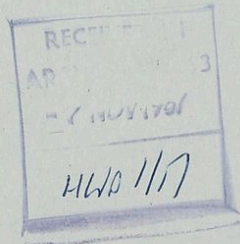
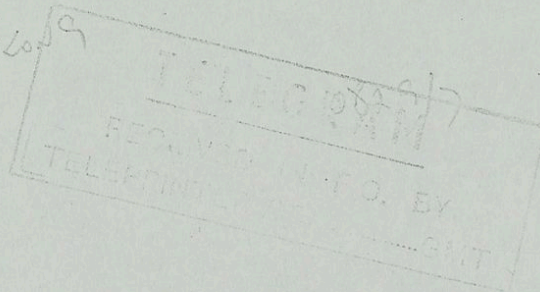
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APPRECIATING YOUR FEELINGS ABOUT ATTENDING RONS FUNERAL ON AFTERNOON
OF 8TH NOVEMBER I AM OF FIRM OPINION THIS WOULD NOT (REPEAT NOT)
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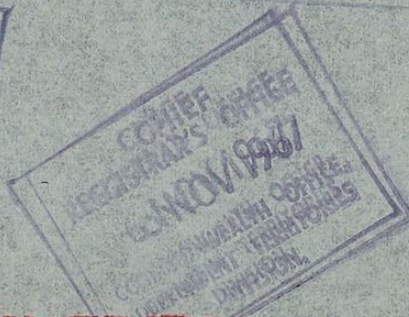
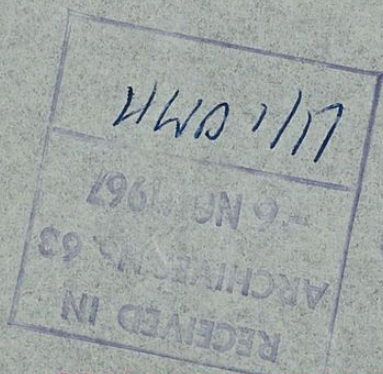
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		Week 18/25th Oct.	Week 11/18th Oct.	Total since 11th May
1. CASUALTIES				
Police	Killed	-	1	7
	Injured	1	11	179
Military	Killed	-	-	1
	Injured	-	4	23
Other Uniformed Services	Killed	-	-	1
	Injured	-	-	4
Opposition	Killed	-	2	24
	Injured	2	11	299
Others	Killed	-	1	11
	Injured	-	44	185
Burials by Government of unclaimed bodies		2	-	23
Other Burials		-	2	12
Bodies still unclaimed		-	1	-

2. POLICE USE OF FIREARMS

(a) Gas used	-	2	82
(b) Ball ammo used	1	3	53
(c) Casualties killed	-	-	16
injured	-	3	41

3. ARRESTS

Total arrests	23	116	4050
Released (without charge)	2	27	1855
Acquitted	41	19	357
Convicted	26	13	1752
Died in Custody	-	-	5
Remanded/Awaiting Trial	81	125	*
Pending	-	2	*

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	<u>18/25th</u> <u>Oct.</u>	<u>11/18th</u> <u>Oct.</u>	<u>Total since</u> <u>11st May</u>
3. ARRESTS (cont)			
Detention orders under Emergency Regulation 31	-	-	3
Deportation Orders under Emergency (Deportation & Detention) Regulations	-	-	22
Deported	-	-	-

Analysis of Convictions

Riot	1	-	317
Unlawful Assembly	-	-	462
Breach of Curfew	-	-	232
Inflammatory Speeches	3	-	72
Inflammatory Posters	2	5	166
Intimidation	9	3	155
Possession of bombs:			
Real	4	-	21
Hoax	2	-	24
Other Offences	5	5	303

4. DAMAGE(a) Property

Government Buildings	-	1	41
Banks	-	-	24
Cinemas/Theatres	-	-	6
Other Buildings	-	1	41
Parking Meters	67	6	2465

(b) Vehicles

Government (inc. Police)	-	2	22
Buses	1	4	38
Trams	-	-	7
Taxis	-	-	22
Public Cars	-	-	6
Other vehicles	-	7	63

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	Week 18/25th Oct.	Week 11/18th Oct.	Total since 11th May
5. BOMBS			
Reports	392	1044	4882
False Alarms/foaxes	328	818	4099
Explosions	2	24	210
Unexploded bombs found as a result of reports	64	226	783
Unexploded bombs found as a result of search	-	1	93
Explosives recovered			
(sticks) Gellignite	-	9	148
Dynamite	-	-	562
Casualties/Police/Public			
Killed	-	2	7
Injured	-	55	235
Suspected Terrorists:			
Killed	-	2	5
Injured	4	1	13

6. POLICE RAIDS

Opposed	-	1	8
Unopposed	45	67	825

7. CURFEWS

Hong Kong Island	-	-	3
Kowloon	-	-	5
New Territories	-	-	1

8. ATTACKS ON TRANSPORT AND OTHER WORKERS

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	18/25th Oct.	11/18th Oct.	18/25th Oct. 1966.	Average Retail Price \$/Catty	Normal Price
<u>SWINE (Nos)</u>					
Local	2,118	2,217	3,788	3.20	3.20
China	36,282	31,080	37,420		
Overseas	549	432	798		
	38,949	33,729	42,006		
<u>CATTLE (Nos)</u>					
Local	5	22	48	4.20	3.80
China	2,514	2,360	3,292		
Overseas	2,837	419	753		
	5,356	2,801	4,093		
<u>VEGETABLES (piculs)</u>					
Local	43,937	44,484	32,299	.45c.	.45c.
China	58,151	57,581	59,288		
Overseas	4,400	5,100	4,800		
	106,488	107,165	96,387		
<u>FISH (Piculs)</u>					
Local	20,325	25,377	16,579	2.00	1.60
China	197	972	428		
	20,522	26,349	17,006		
<u>RICE (tons)</u>					
Stock	104,000	104,000		.80c.	.80c.
China Imports	1,300	2,600			
Other Imports	1,400	1,500			
Offtake	3,700	4,000			
Stock end week	103,000	104,000	70,000		

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	Buses 25th Oct.	Passengers daily average 17/23rd Oct.	Buses 18th Oct.	Passengers daily average 10/16th Oct.	Passengers pre- disturbance daily average	Percentage of pre disturbance total
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	393	1,122,290	379	1,118,319	1,868,369	60%
China Motor Bus Co.	264	390,306	251	384,361	569,488	68.5%
Hong Kong Tramways	158	385,708	157	371,618	479,544	80.4%

	Week ending 23rd Oct.	Tonnage	Week Ending 16th Oct	Tonnage	1966	
K.C.R. Wagons	717	6,821	550	8,179	899	80%
River Boats	136	13,126	165	17,913	245	50%

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D STAFF POSITION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND UTILITY COMPANIES
23rd OCTOBER, 1967.

	Strength prior to disturbances	No. dismissed after strike	Number reinstated	New Employees	Present Strength	Percentage of pre- disturbance total
Star Ferry	590	590	389	69	456	77%
Hong Kong & Yanati Ferry	1,885	115	10	78	1,830	97%
Hong Kong Tramways	1,713	679	2	587	1,342	78%
China Motor Bus Co.	2,360	1,273	80	427	1,528	65%
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	7,194	4,907	771	1,008	3,968	55%
Hong Kong Electric Co.	978	148	12	58	860	88%
China Light and Power	2,745	709	52	414	2,502	91%
Hong Kong & China Gas	548	334	170	46	392	72%

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Telno 1652 6 November, 1967

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Addressed to C.O. telegram No. 1652 of 6 November
Repeated for information to:- PA Singapore, Washington and
HC Canberra.

For Commonwealth Office and Cabinet Office for JIC.

Following from LIC.

Weekly assessment of the situation as at 6 November
0600 hours follows in two parts. (Part 1 only for Canberra).

Part 1.

- (a) Marked increase in bomb incidents aimed at disrupting 'Hong Kong week'. 168 genuine and 472 'hoax' bombs were reported. 7 bombs exploded on impact or prior to the arrival of bomb teams causing the death of a senior Inspector of Police and injuries to 6 Police Officers, an Army Officer and 26 civilians.
- (b) An upsurge of short lived demonstrations and incidents, some staged for propaganda purposes and others spontaneous. On 31 October 2 Police Officers searching a suspect outside the Communist Commercial Press premises in Victoria were attacked by a crowd from the building. The suspect was shot and wounded and 14 persons arrested, all of whom are employed by CPG owned Publishing Companies and the China Travel Service (telegram No. 1652 refers). On 1 November 900 confrontation prisoners staged a demonstration in Stanley Prison (telegram No. 1625 refers). On the same day students from the Heung To Middle School displayed banners on bicycles in a main road in Kowloon and 52 students and a teacher from this school were later arrested during an incident with the police (telegram No. 1625 refers). On 3 November, small demonstrations were staged at two Magistrates Courts when the Communist employees and the Heung To students appeared to answer charges, and on 4 November wives of prisoners convicted for confrontation offences demonstrated outside Stanley Prison. A minor street demonstration by workers and students took place in Kowloon on 5 November but dispersed before the arrival of police.
- (c) An incident at Man Kam To on 30 October during which a group of civilians from Chinese territory (CT) attempted to remove the bridge barricade and stick grenades were thrown into British territory. Security forces used phorous smoke grenades on two occasions (telegram 1596 refers).

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- (d) Continued virulent anti British propaganda in the Communist Press. Main themes have been the alleged unjust imprisonment of 'patriots' as criminals and the 'provocative' arrest of Commercial Press staff and Heung To students, and criticism of 'Hong Kong week' as a political 'anti China plot' as well as an attempt by Government to present a false façade of peace and stability. Statements by various struggle committees and Communist organisations supporting these themes were published throughout the week.
- (e) The continued supply of food and other produce from China with the number of goods wagons entering through Lo Wu at about pre-confrontation level. Man Kam To Bridge remained closed during the week.

2. Police action against Communist targets has continued resulting in the further seizures of small quantities of explosives, weapons and inflammatory documents. A number of workers and students from Communist controlled schools have been arrested for planting real and 'hoax' bombs or painting inflammatory slogans.

3. The campaign to improve morale within Communist labour circles has continued with meetings at many unions during the week. In addition to group meetings to study the thoughts of Mao, receptions have been held for union members recently released from prison and support for the 'dollar campaign' has been emphasised. Attendance at some of these meeting is increasing and unions are calling on members to make a concerted effort to propagate the works of Mao among their friends and relatives.

4. On 31 October 16 Right Wing functions were held to mark the birthday of Chiang Kai-shek. (The main theme of speeches was praise of Chiang and the achievements of the Kuomintang (KMT) in Taiwan). There were no attempts by local Communists to disrupt the celebrations. This was in line with the comparatively low level of activity on the double tenth and may have been designed to illustrate that whilst opposed to any KMT activity in the colony, the real enemies of the Communists are the British.

5. The border area has been generally quiet following the incident at Man Kam To on 30 October (paragraph 1(c) refers.) This demonstration was held ^{23.10.67} ~~probably~~ with the tacit approval of the PLA, but it is unlikely that the grenade throwing probably carried out by members of the militia was anticipated. It is considered that the PLA are maintaining their general policy of preventing or seeking to curtail incidents.

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6. The level of bomb activity during the week, the highest since the visit of Lord Shepherd, was obviously designed to disrupt 'Hong Kong week'. This was seen by the Communists as a move aimed at China in two ways, namely a manifestation of Governments alleged desire to make Hong Kong a 'nation' and also a drive to sell Hong Kong goods to the detriment of China products. The approach of the opening of the Canton Fair on 15 November may presage some decrease in violent activity, at least in the immediate future, and so far the formation last week of the Kwangtung Committee has not resulted in any practical support from China. However, the senior Communist leaders who left the colony last week are still in China and the next steps in the confrontation with the Hong Kong Government may still be under review. Clearly the use of bombs, both real and 'hoax', is now the major weapon of the local Communists, and one which, from their standpoint, combines the maximum effect upon the life of the colony with the minimum effort on their part. It must be expected therefore that they will resort to these measures whenever they feel obliged to demonstrate their opposition to Government overtly.

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Sir D. Trench

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060830 Attention Glover.

Sitrep three.

A European police inspector was killed last night when a bomb exploded as he was trying to remove it from middle of road in Wan Chai on Hong Kong Island.

Twenty-one other people including a police constable were injured in the blast which occurred outside a restaurant in Yee Wmo street shortly after half-past-ten.

The injured among them a number of children were taken to hospital where sixteen have been detained for treatment. These included the constable. Except for two of the civilians the condition of the others is satisfactory.

The bomb in a blue travelling bag had been placed between two tram tracks and was blocking traffic in the area. The inspector was attempting to remove it when it went off.

Information Officer.

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052310 Sitrep Two. Attention Glover.

Four Police Constables injured by the explosion occurred in Johnston Road. Explosion believed been caused by object thrown by someone in crowd.

Item Indian Chamber of Commerce was tonight awarded the Hong Kong Tourist Association Trophy for best float at Hong Kong Week pageant held at Government Stadium.

Trophy was presented to Chairman of Indian Chamber of Commerce B.K. Murjani by Governor Sir David Trench.

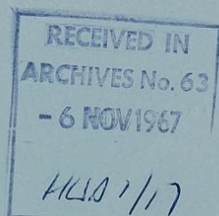
The two hour pageant was attended by over twenty-five thousand people and marked end of week long celebrations of campaign to promote sale of Hong Kong made goods on local market. Ends. Informs.

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052300 Sitrep one.

Attention Glover.

A Cathay Pacific Airways Convair Jetliner with 116 passengers and 11 crew on board crashed into sea on take-off Kaitak Airport this Sunday morning.

But only one passenger a Vietnamese woman killed in crash.

Altogether 41 people taken to Queen Elizabeth Hospital where 20 admitted. Others treated and discharged.

In addition 3 people taken Queen Mary Hospital where they also treated and discharged.

General condition of 20 people admitted described as satisfactory.

Aircraft was bound Saigon at time of accident.

Wreckage towed and placed on reclamation at R.A.F. compound.

Item. 7,000 ton Cargo Ship SS Habib Marikar with crew of 44 went aground on reef near Linclon Island about 340 miles South of Hong Kong.

All crew except Chief Officer believed be Norwegian been picked up or taken off ship by SS Bengkalis and USS Navarro.

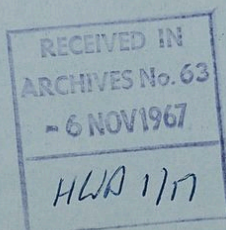
Bengkalis with 38 of uninjured survivors returned Hong Kong tonight.

Navarro with 5 injured survivors on way Hong Kong.

Item. 5 Policemen - 4 constables and a corporal injured in separate explosions in Wanchai area of Hong Kong Island this Sunday evening.

2 of constables treated at Queen Mary Hospital and discharged while other 2 constables and corporal detained for treatment.

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Hospital spokesman described their condition as satisfactory.

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041400 Attention Glover.

Hong Kong police carried out two searches today Saturday, one on a number of huts in village in Sai Kung in new territories and another on old building in Sha Kok Mei also in Sai Kung area.

Search of huts took place early this morning and resulted in arrest of one man for possession of fireworks and another for possession of one inflammatory document. Search on building resulted in discovery of thirty four suspicious objects, two of which proved to be genuine bombs. All objects were detonated by police ballistics officer.

Three real bombs were found in various parts of Kowloon between eight a.m. and twelve noon today and detonated by ammunition experts.

Assistant Director of Commerce and Industry Mr. J.D. McGregor said yesterday that Communist agitators had failed in their attempt to disrupt colony's industries.

He said productions of various factories were continuing to grow and current disturbances had absolutely no (repeat no) effect on them.

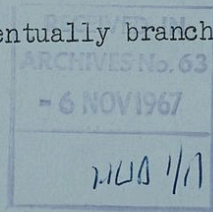
He noted that relations between workers and managements had been closer as result of Communist agitation.

"Communists have made managements take a second look into needs of their workers" Mr. McGregor said.

Chinese Manufacturers Association is now repeat now engaged in forming a Department Store to be called Hong Kong Goods Company Limited with a capital of two million Hong Kong dollars, Mr. C.K. Choi, Chairman of Association said yesterday.

He told Rotary Club Hong Kong Island West at weekly luncheon that store would be opened after close of Hong Kong Products Exhibition early next year.

It was hoped eventually branches would be set up throughout colony he said.



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Hong Kong had its first taste of Jumbo Jet era yesterday when first aircraft capable of carrying two hundred and fifty passenger touched down at Kaitak airport.

Plane a DC8/61 Stretch jet was biggest passengers on charter from Tokyo and left for Boston three hours later carrying two hundred and forty four passengers and fourteen thousand pounds of luggage.

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030800. Attention Glover.

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On Hong Kong Island four people were arrested by police last Thursday night for planting suspicious objects on roads. Three of them were arrested in Des Voeux Road Central while the fourth an eighteen year old youth was arrested in North Point.

A boy was also arrested in North Point for writing slogans on wall of a government building.

In Kowloon two objects were hurled into Wong Tai Sin police station compound. They exploded and caused slight injuries to three women who were passing by outside the station.

Early in evening a crowd of about fifty people shouting Mao's quotations gathered at junction of Nathan Road and Dundas Street in Mongkok. A banner to which six suspicious objects were attached was put across Nathan Road. However the crowd dispersed before police arrived.

Shortly afterwards another crowd was reported to have gathered outside an emporium at junction of Nathan Road and Nelson Street in Mongkok. Police, sent there to investigate, saw no sign of a crowd but eight suspicious objects were found to have been left on the road.

Traffic in the area had been interrupted for about half an hour.

Altogether one hundred and thirteen objects were found on both sides of the harbour between eight a.m. and midnight yesterday.

Of the forty-six found on Hong Kong Island thirteen were genuine bombs. In Kowloon seven of the sixty-seven objects were genuine.

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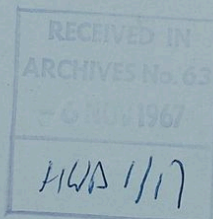
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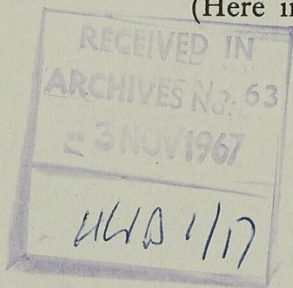
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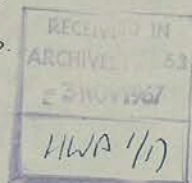
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FOLLOWING IS EXTRACT FROM WEEKLY SURVEY OF INTELLIGENCE
DATED 2/11/67.

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1. AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF BOMB INCIDENTS IN THE PAST FEW DAYS WAS TIMED TO COINCIDE WITH THE OPENING OF HONG KONG WEEK ON 30TH OCTOBER. AS A COUNTER-ATTRACTION LOCAL COMMUNISTS ARE STAGING A +CHINA PRODUCTS FORTNIGHT+ WHICH BEGAN ON 29TH OCTOBER.
 2. A GROUP OF COMMUNIST LEADERS FROM CHINESE GOVERNMENT, BANKING, COMMERCIAL PUBLISHING, PRESS AND LABOUR SPHERES HAVE BEEN VISITING CHINA, REMAINING THERE FOR SEVERAL DAYS. PROBABLY AS A RESULT A COMMITTEE HAS BEEN FORMED IN CANTON TO SUPPORT THE LOCAL COMMUNISTS IN THEIR CONFRONTATION WITH THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT. THIS INITIATIVE MAY WELL HAVE RESULTED FROM THE COMMUNIST LEADERS' REPORTS OF THE LOW LEVEL OF COMMUNIST ACTIVITY AND MORALE IN HONG KONG. THE FORMATION OF THIS COMMITTEE AND THE IMPLICATION OF SUPPORT FROM CHINA WILL DOUBTLESS BE EXPLOITED AS A PROPAGANDA THEME, BUT IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHAT EFFECT THIS WILL HAVE ON THE MORALE OF LOCAL COMMUNISTS IF IT IS NOT FOLLOWED UP BY MORE ACTIVE SUPPORT THAN THE MORAL AND FINANCIAL BACKING HITHERTO RECEIVED FROM THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE FORMATION OF THIS COMMITTEE MAY BE INTENDED AS A MEANS OF EXERCISING MORE EFFECTIVE CONTROL FROM CHINA OVER COMMUNIST ORGANISATIONS IN HONG KONG.
 3. THERE WAS A DEMONSTRATION AGAINST THE CLOSING OF THE MAN KAM TO BRIDGE ON 30TH OCTOBER, IN THE COURSE OF WHICH ATTEMPTS WERE MADE TO REMOVE THE BARRIER AND THREE STICK GRENADES WERE THROWN BY THE DEMONSTRATORS. DESPITE INTERVENTION BY THE PLA, HONG KONG SECURITY FORCES HAD TO USE PHOSPHORUS GRENADES TO BREAK UP THE DEMONSTRATIONS ON TWO OCCASIONS.
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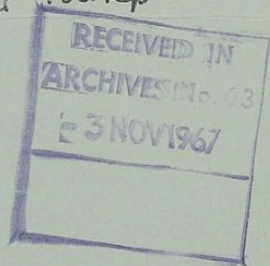
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Your telegram No. 1625.

Thank you for this information but debate has now been postponed to Thursday

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021800 Attention Glover.

Many millions of United States dollars worth of Hong Kong products are purchased each year by Hong Kong and South East Asian buying office of R.H. Macy and Company Incorporation, largest department store in United States, Mr. Kenneth H. Straus said yesterday Wednesday. Mr. Straus senior Vice President of International and Domestic Corporate Buying said his Company operated thirteen buying offices in various parts of the globe to select best quality goods for United States market, and Hong Kong office is its biggest in South East Asia.

He pointed out since Hong Kong office started in 1959 purchasing programme has increased several hundred per cent up to now. Moreover purchases in Hong Kong also topped those made elsewhere in Far East he added. He said products here are of high quality and price also rather low. His Company's largest purchases are mens shirts and toys he said.

A mob of about one hundred fifty people today created a rowdy scene in North Kowloon Court where fifty two Communist school students and a teacher were to appear on charges of [2 gps undec] in Waterloo Road in Kowloon last night.

Mob mainly parents and relatives of accused shouted at Magistrate and demanded release of arrested. Magistrate ordered Court cleared as mob continued to shout. Mob refused to leave and police reinforcements were called into Courtroom. After repeated police persuasion people left Courtroom without further incident.

Police party today searched a flat in central district of Hong Kong Island and seized quantity of suspected explosives. A man was arrested by police for questioning.

Hong Kong official receiver Mr. W.K. Thomson denied newspaper reports that new moves are under discussion to pay off creditors of Ming Tak Bank. "There can be no (repeat no) question of paying a dividend until all properties of Bank have been sold and Government loans totalling nine million nine hundred thousand (repeat 9,900,000) have been repaid" he said.

A number of bombs were found during day but no (repeat no) harm done. Colony still quiet.

Ends Inform.

Sir D. Trench

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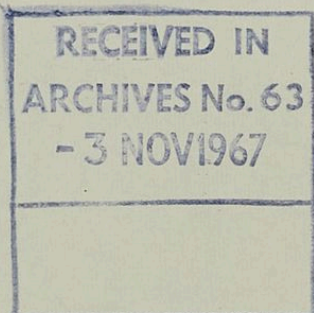
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Attention Glover.

In Kowloon, 53 people were arrested by the police last evening when they were seen chanting slogans and singing songs. The crowd surrounded two policemen who arrived at the scene to investigate. When police party later reached the scene, an inspector was pushed by a youth in the group. The arrested people, believed to be students of the Heung To Middle School, have been charged with participating in an intimidating assembly and one has been additionally charged with assaulting a police officer. Informs.

Sir D. Trench

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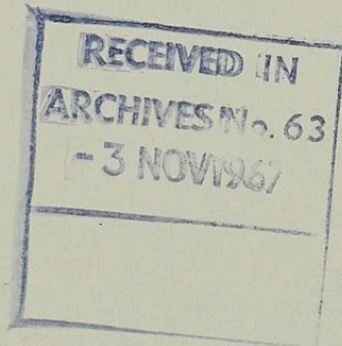
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Addressed to Hong Kong telegram No. 2227 of 1 November
Repeated for information to: POLAD Singapore, Washington
and Canberra.

There is a debate on Hong Kong in House of Lords
tomorrow evening, Thursday, 2 November. Grateful to
receive not later than 1500 hours G.M.T. tomorrow, a
Sitrep covering period since 30 October (your telegram
No. 1598 refers).

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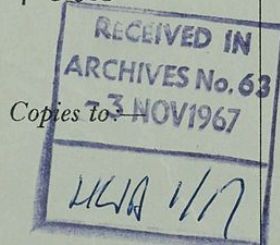
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Telno 1626 2 November, 1967

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Addressed to C.O. telegram No. 1626 of 2 November
Repeated for information to: POLAD Singapore, Washington
and Canberra.

Sitrep for period 30800 to 020800.

My immediately preceding telegram.

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Communist propaganda during Hong Kong week illustrates contradictions of late they have accused Government of wrecking the economy, thus causing unemployment; now they themselves seek to undermine endeavours to increase the Colonies trade.

2. There have been continued meetings at Communist Unions condemning the Hong Kong Government's 'Fascist Policy' causing mass unemployment and urging support for the 'dollar campaign'. The funds raised are said to be for all unemployed workers, but this may well be a means by which the struggle committee can replenish their funds.

3. In the Communist Press, emphasis continues to be given to the 'struggle' in the new territories. There have also been attempts to stir up trouble in connection with squatter clearances and the resettlement programme.

4. There are reports of a general rundown of stock piles of food and medical supplies in Communist premises. This, together with the current campaign to promote Chinese food-stuffs suggests that they do not now envisage a prolonged disruption of supplies from China.

5. On 31 October, Villa Verde radio repeated broadcast of ex-Supt. John Tsang urging defection of police.

6. The Heung To school demonstrations on the 1st mark another phase in the students struggle. It appeared that these school children seemed almost to be courting arrest. The increased appearance of students in nuisance demonstrations may be aimed at providing more propaganda material for the Communist Press during Hong Kong week. They may also be expected to derive 'maximum' propaganda advantage from their appearance in court.

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7. My telegram No. 1614 reports event on 1 October but we would of course not wish this mentioned.

8. The figures given in my telegram No. 597 to Chargé d'Affaires Peking, have now changed as follows: of 4135 arrests; 1858 released; 370 acquitted; 1767 convicted, 135 awaiting trial, and 5 died. As well as the 44 deaths mentioned, 691 persons have been injured: 182 police, 4 fire services, 313 opposers and 168 others.

C.O. please pass Priority Washington 354 and Priority Canberra 135.

Sir D. Trench

[Repeated as requested]

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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

Telno 1625

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[Received without preamble.]

Sitrep for period 300800 to 020800

Your telegram 2227.

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The number of bombs reached a climax on the 30/31st with 177 reports and 44 true bombs, then declined to 44 reports with no true on the 31st/1st and 53 reports (5 true) on the 1st/2nd.

2. The Communist Press reported the bomb spate as a blow against Hong Kong Week, which is described as an attempt to alienate Hong Kong Chinese from their Socialist mother country. Right Wing and neutral newspapers have refuted this argument, and see the success of Hong Kong Week as further evidence of Hong Kong's recovery from its recent troubles.

3. On 30th, Left-wing seamen made a brief demonstration at the Marine Office against the bad reports given on discharge to three crew members of the 'Antarctica'.

4. On the border there was a demonstration and grenade-throwing incident at Man Kam To (my telegram 1596). — HWA 4/1

5. On 31st the tempo of bomb-planting dropped considerably. 16 Right-wing functions were held to mark Chiang Kai-shek's birthday without incident. At 1930 two police constables searching a suspect outside the Communist commercial Press in Central district were attacked by a crowd from the building. The suspect was shot and wounded and 14 persons arrested.

6. On the same day, a hole was made in the frontier fence at Ta Kwu Ling by C.T. farmers to remove their rice harvest. At Nam Hang two persons in C.T. threw stones at a Gurkha patrol.

7. On 1st, in Kowloon at 1330 about 100 cyclists from the Communist Heung to Middle School rode through the streets displaying banners calling on people to buy Chinese goods. At 1800 in North Kowloon a crowd of students from the same school led by a woman teacher held a demonstration, and surrounded two policemen. 53 persons, including the teacher, were arrested and charged with intimidating assembly and one student with assaulting a policeman.

8. At 1430 in Stanley Prison, a number of left-wing prisoners approached the Commissioner of prisons requesting more food and winter clothing. The Commissioner pointed out that food was in accordance with laid down scales and that heavy clothing would be issued when necessary. Later, when being transferred from the workshops to cells, a group of about 50 prisoners offered resistance and attacked the prison staff, who had to use force to subdue and return them to the cells. One prisoner was admitted to hospital with head injuries, and 10 were treated at the prison.

/9. This morning's

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9. This morning's Wen Wei Pao described the introduction of the new public order bill as further evidence of 'Fascist suppression'.
10. Train services and food supply have continued without incident.

Sir D. Trench

[Comms Note:- Repeated as requested to Washington, Singapore and
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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

Telno. 1620

2 November 1967

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For Commonwealth Office and Cabinet Office for J.I.C.

592 Your telegram No. 1572.

Confirmed we would wish to receive extracts from
this week's Red Book and that circulation will be restricted
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Sir D. Trench

[Sent to J.I.C.]

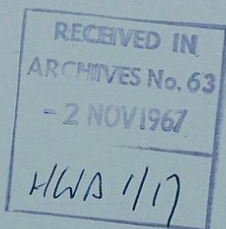
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IMMEDIATE COMMONWEALTH OFFICE TO HONG KONG (D.T.D.)

TELNO. 2221

31 OCTOBER 1967 (MWB 1/17)

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YOUR TELEGRAM NO. 1572.

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IT WAS NOT CONSIDERED NECESSARY TO REFER TO NEGOTIATIONS IN THIS WEEK'S DRAFT FOR JIC BUT, DEPENDING ON DEVELOPMENTS, THERE MAY HAVE TO BE A LAST MINUTE INSERTION ON THURSDAY. IN THIS EVENT (AND IF THERE HAS BEEN NO PUBLICITY) MAY WE ASSUME THAT YOU WOULD WISH TO RECEIVE EXTRACT IN THE NORMAL WAY AND THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO RESTRICT LOCAL CIRCULATION TO THOSE IN THE KNOW?

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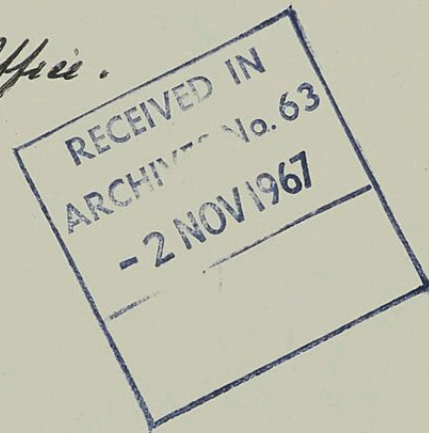
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Your telegram No 1572.

It was not ~~then found~~ ^{considered} necessary
to refer to negotiations in this week's draft
for J.I.C. but, depending on developments,
there may have to be a last minute
insertion ~~on Tuesday~~ on Thursday
(and if there has been no publicity)
In this event, may we assume that
you would wish to receive extract in
the normal way and that you
will be able to make arrangements to
restrict local circulation to those in
the know?

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Mr. Carter

I attach the Emergency Statistical Report for the week ending 18 October. I assume that we are now receiving copies of these regularly. The Governor asked me to check this.

H.P.H.

(H.P. Hall)
30 October, 1967.

Mr. Gammara

we can confirm to Mr. Hall that these reports are being received regularly?

LSH
30/10

Mr. Hall,

We have been receiving these figures regularly.

The reason why we sent a telegram to Hong Kong (during the time that you were there with the Minister) asking for figures as at a specific date (23rd Oct.) was because Sir Arthur Galimberti thought the Sec. of State should have up-to-date figures when he answered, on 24th Oct., the P.Q. from Mr. Royle & Mr. Cox requesting a statement on the situation in Hong Kong.

2. In fact, although we have been

receiving the attached return regularly,
the figures are about a fortnight out of
date by the time they reach us.

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When the C.O. telephoned in HKong, the former said
that they had no more up to date figures than those
already sent to the C.O. by log.

In future P.Q.s I suggest we ignore any particular
date asked for & give the latest information we have instead.
Unless of course something important has happened about which
we require an up to date report.

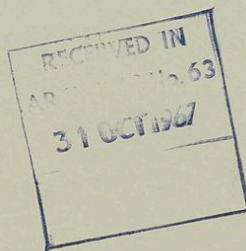
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PRIORITY HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

Telno 1607 31 October 1967

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Addressed to Peking telegram No. 597 of 31 October.
Repeated for information to Commonwealth Office.

(589) Your telegram No. 73 [telegram No. 185 to Foreign Office].

From 11 May up to 31 October there have been 4067 arrests; 1858 have been released, 365 acquitted, 1761 have been convicted of various offences, 78 are awaiting trial (including some held for questioning), and 5 have died in custody.

2. Of the 1761 sentenced, 1100 are still in prison.

3. Since 11 May 44 persons have been killed: 9 members of the security forces, (24 persons opposing action by the security forces (including the 5 in custody and 5 carrying bombs), and 11 victims and by-standers (including 6 killed by bombs).

Foreign Office please pass to Peking 597 Immediate.

Sir D. Trench

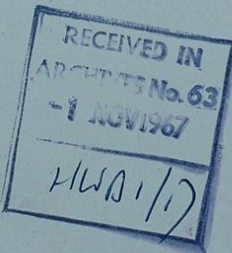
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PEKING TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Tel. No. 185

27 October, 1967

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Addressed to Hong Kong telegram No. 73 of 27 October.
Repeated for information to Foreign Office.

My telegram No. 72 (paragraph 2).

Grateful for latest figures of deaths and arrests and
numbers still held in prison as a result of disturbances.

Mr. Hopson

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Mr. Carter.

Mr. Craymore

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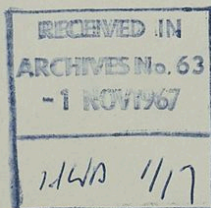
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SITREP 30 Oct.

1. Hong Kong.
 - a. Generally a quiet week.
 - b. Bomb incidents have shown a marked decrease since Lord Shepherd's departure on 20 Oct. Daily average is now 4 true and 35 false or hoax.
 - c. Senior Inspector Knight is being held in Shum Chum. Despite a report that discussions about Knight could take place at any time at Man Cam To, on 26 Oct when a police officer endeavoured to make contact with the Chinese authorities a party of Chinese Army Officers appeared, took great pains to identify him and finally left saying that they have no message for him.
2. Deployments.
 - a. Navy. HMS SIRIUS arrived Simonstown 30 Oct en route to UK. HMS GHURKA arrived Gulf Command 28 Oct Vice HMS NUBIAN. HMS ESKIMO arrived on station 27 Oct and HMS LONDON on 29 Oct.
 - b. Air. 4 Hercules of 48 Sqn arrived Changi 26 Oct from UK. 4 Javelins of 60 Sqn departed Tengah 30 Oct for Kai Tak.
3. Exercises.
 - a. HOT SEAT ONE. Joint service exercise held at Changi on 26 Oct for mutual assistance during an aircraft disaster.
 - b. PIPING SHRIKE. Exercise completed 30 Oct with return of 1 KSLI in LSL SIR LANCELOT.

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- c. MALAYAN LITEX. Exercise completed; 2 Victor tankers
departing Tengah for UK 30/31 Oct.

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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

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30 October 1967

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1599 of 30 October.

Repeated for information to POLAD Singapore, Canberra and Washington.

Sitrep for period 250800 to 300800.

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My immediately preceding telegram.

The increasing number of bombs in the last two days is seen as an attempt to disrupt Hong Kong Week which started today. All bombs whether true false or hoax require the attention of the police services disposal teams and their increase extends their capability and disrupts day to day life more seriously.

2. The China Products Fortnight from 29 October to 10 November is also seen as a counter to Hong Kong Week.

3. An increase in the use of Union and other Communist premises indicates intention to consolidate local support and boost morale. It is also considered that the recently established Kwangtung Committee to support Hong Kong compatriots will be used to boost the morale and activity of local Communists.

4. Events of the past five days suggest that the Communist hierarchy aim to settle down to a long term objective of consolidation and expansion while continuing to attack Government in the propaganda and other selected fields.

Commonwealth Office pass to Canberra as telegram 130 and Washington as 343.

Sir D. Trench

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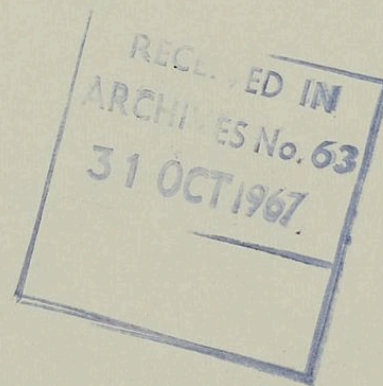
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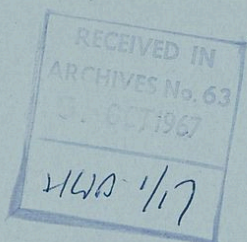
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Between eight a.m. and five p.m. there total five real bombs - two on Hong Kong Island and three in Kowloon - out of some one hundred objects found.

One of bombs on Hong Kong Island injured a bystander who treated and discharged from hospital.

Between midnight and eight a.m. today there seventeen real bombs in Kowloon out of twentyseven reports of suspected objects.

During same period on Hong Kong Island eleven fake objects found.

In launching Hong Kong Week today Governor Sir David Trench called on people of Colony to support week.

Sir David speaking at colourful ceremony outside City Hall said purpose of Hong Kong Week is to call attention of both people here and visitors to the industrial and commercial achievements of Colony.

He said Hong Kong people are not (repeat not) quite as conscious of all that is made here and its high quality as they might be.

This Sir David said is not (repeat not) always their fault in that for variety of reasons many of best Hong Kong products have never found their way into shops.

He urged Hong Kong industrialists not to hesitate to use new methods of display salesmanship and aftersales service in persuading Hong Kong people to buy more Colony-made goods in shops.

Sir David mentioned a few figures to dispel any doubts about Hong Kong achievements.

"The first striking fact is that our total trade has increased by over one thousand million dollars in first nine months of nineteen sixty seven" he said.

Even imports have increased by some three percent despite falloff for a time in supplies from China.

Domestic exports are up by fourteen percent and re-exports by twenty one percent "a remarkable performance by any standard / and especially

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and especially so when some of our trading partners have had their own share of economic difficulties".

The number of registered and recorded factories had increased by over seven hundred and the number of employees in such factories by sixteen thousand; The monthly average number of tourists coming to Hong Kong had risen by two thousand; and the average monthly consumption of electricity had gone up by twenty seven million kilowatt hours.

Sir David added "although this is not (repeat not) occasion to make a deep analysis of economic indicators which would in any case not (repeat not) convince those with closed minds. It cannot be denied that figures are very impressive and do clearly show our continued economic strength".

A million dollar recreation complex will be built in Yuen Long in the New Territories in December or early next year.

Complex will be built on site donated by Government and located about half a mile from Yuen Long Town. It will comprise four storey building, a football stadium to accommodate five thousand people with allowance for extension basket-ball court and several playgrounds for various sports.

It is expected completed in early nineteen sixty nine. Ends
Informs.

Sir D. Trench.

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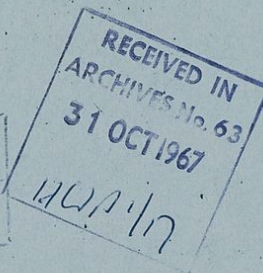
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WEEKLY ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION AS AT 30 OCTOBER. 0600 HRS
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THE PRINCIPAL FEATURES OF THE COMMUNIST CONFRONTATION DURING THE
PERIOD HAVE BEEN:-

(A) A MARKED DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF TRUE BOMBS. 28 GENUINE AND
232 HOAX BOMBS WERE REPORTED. 2 EXPLODED PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL OF
BOMB TEAMS. NO CASUALTIES. ON 29 OCTOBER, IN KOWLOON, THERE
WAS A MINOR DEMONSTRATION, BY STUDENTS AND WORKERS WHO DISPERSED
ON THE ARRIVAL OF POLICE, LEAVING BEHIND A NUMBER OF HOAX BOMBS.

(B) THE CONTINUED COMPARATIVE CALM OF THE BORDER AREA, BROKEN
ONLY BY SPORADIC STONE THROWING AT MAN KAN TO AND LO WU BY
CIVILIANS IN C.T., WHO WERE DISPERSED BY P L A. ON 27 OCTOBER,
AT TA KU LING, VILLAGERS FROM LO FONG C T) REMOVED A SMALL
SECTION OF THE BORDER PRIMARY FENCE. THE BREACH WAS CLOSED
WITH DANNERT WIRE WITHOUT INCIDENT. ON 29 OCTOBER THERE WAS
AN INCREASE IN THE BROADCASTS FROM C.T. DEMANDING THE OPENING
OF THE MAN KAN TO BRIDGE. THE TEXTS WERE RELATIVELY MILD IN TONE.

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(CC) A JOINT STATEMENT ISSUED ON 22 OCTOBER BY SIX UNION ANTI-PERSECUTION STRUGGLE COMMITTEES (A.P.S.C.'S) CALLING FOR A 'DOLLAR CAMPAIGN' TO RAISE FUNDS AS A COUNTER TO UNEMPLOYMENT AND STARVATION ALLEGEDLY CAUSED BY THE GOVERNMENT'S SUPPRESSION OF WORKERS. THIS CAMPAIGN HAS SINCE RECEIVED THE SUPPORT OF THE ALL CIRCLES ANTI-PERSECUTION STRUGGLE COMMITTEE AND MANY LOCAL COMMUNIST ORGANISATIONS.

(CD) THE PUBLICATION OF A JOINT STATEMENT BY VARIOUS A.P.S.C.S IN THE NEW TERRITORIES LISTING "SIX SLOGANS AND 25 PRINCIPLES OF THE ANTI-BRITISH VIOLENCE STRUGGLE" (MYTEL 580).

(CE) A PRESS CONFERENCE FOR LOCAL REPORTERS AND SELECTED FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS HELD ON 23 OCTOBER BY FAI YI MAN, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE LEADING COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER TA KUNG PAO, DURING WHICH HE CONDEMNED GOVERNMENT FOR KILLING AND IMPRISONING COMMUNISTS AND CATALOGUED 'FACIST' ACTION AGAINST THE LOCAL COMMUNIST PRESS. RELATIVES OF PERSONS SERVING PRISON SENTENCES FOR CONFRONTATION OFFENCES ALSO DEMANDED THE RELEASE OF PRISONERS, THE CESSATION OF DEPORTATION PROCEEDINGS AND IMPROVED PRISON CONDITIONS.

(CF) THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF A "CHINA PRODUCTS FORTNIGHT" WHICH BEGAN ON 29 OCTOBER AND IS DIRECTED AT PROMOTING THE SALE OF CHINESE FOOD AND CLOTHING IN THE COLONY. (THIS COINCIDES WITH THE PROMOTION OF "HONG KONG WEEK" WHICH OPENS ON 30 OCTOBER).

(CG) THE DEPARTURE ON A VISIT TO CHINA OF SENIOR COMMUNISTS IN LOCAL C.P.C. BANKING, COMMERCE, PUBLISHING, PRESS AND LABOUR SPHERES.

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(CH) CONTINUED ANTI-GOVERNMENT PROPAGANDA IN THE COMMUNIST PRESS.

GOVERNMENT'S RESETTLEMENT POLICIES HAVE BEEN DENOUNCED AND WORKERS URGED TO GIVE SUPPORT TO THE 'DOLLAR CAMPAIGN' TO COUNTER

UNEMPLOYMENT AND STARVATION. AT THE END OF THE WEEK PROMINENCE

WAS GIVEN TO QUOTATIONS FROM MAO'S WORKS DEALING WITH THE

REVOLUTIONARY ROLES OF THE 'MASSES'. AND TO FULL PAGE ADVERTISEMENTS PUBLICISING 'CHINA PRODUCTS FORTNIGHT'.

ON SUNDAY, 29 OCTOBER HEADLINE COVERAGE WAS GIVEN TO THE

FORMATION IN CANTON OF OF A KWANGTUNG PROVINCIAL COMMITTEE

TO SUPPORT THE HONG KONG COMPATRIOTS, WHICH WOULD PROVIDE PRACTICAL ASSISTANCE, ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF LOCAL COMMUNISTS.

(C) THE CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT IN FOOD SUPPLIES FROM CHINA.

MAN KAM TO ROAD BRIDGE REMAINED CLOSED DURING THE WEEK BUT THE SUPPLY OF PRODUCE BY RAIL INCREASED AND ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS

THE NUMBER OF WAGONS ENTERING DAILY THROUGH LO WU WAS GREATER, THAN THE PRE-CONFRONTATION LEVEL.

2. POLICE ACTION AGAINST COMMUNIST TARGETS CONTINUED, ON A REDUCED SCALE. ONE RAID ON PRIVATE PREMISES RESULTED IN THE SEIZURE OF A QUANTITY OF EXPLOSIVES, BOTTLES OF ACID AND 15 BOMBS CONTAINING FIRECRACKER POWDER. THREE PERSONS HAVE BEEN DETAINED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS CASE.

3. DURING THE WEEK AN INSPECTION WAS CARRIED OUT BY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STAFF AT THE COMMUNIST CONTROLLED HON WAH MIDDLE SCHOOL. THE ATMOSPHERE WAS HOSTILE AND ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS TEACHERS AND NOISY STUDENTS DEMANDED THE RIGHT TO PROPAGATE THE WORKS OF MAO AND CRITICISED GOVERNMENT ACTION AGAINST SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS. NO INFLAMMATORY MATERIAL CAME TO NOTICE. THE MANAGER IS BEING SENT A LETTER BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION DRAWING ATTENTION TO THE UNSATISFACTORY NATURE OF THE INSPECTION AND POOR DISCIPLINE AMONG STUDENTS. IT IS INTENDED TO CONDUCT A FURTHER INSPECTION.

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4. REPORTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM MANY SOURCES OF A GENERAL
RUNDOWN OF FOOD AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES ORIGINALLY STORED BY
MANY COMMUNIST ORGANISATIONS DURING THE VIOLENT STAGES OF
CONFRONTATION. IT WOULD APPEAR THAT LOCAL COMMUNISTS DO NOT
ENVISAGE A DELIBERATE DISRUPTION OF SUPPLIES FROM CHINA
IN THE NEAR FUTURE, OR ANY PROLONGED RESISTANCE TO POSSIBLE
ACTION BY SECURITY FORCES AGAINST THEIR PREMISES.

5. IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT THE KWANGTUNG COMMITTEE TO SUPPORT
THE LOCAL COMMUNIST CONFRONTATION WAS FORMED IN CANTON FOLLOWING
THE DEPARTURE FOR CHINA OF THE MOST SENIOR COMMUNISTS IN THE
COLONY AND MAY WELL RESULT FROM THEIR REPORTS OF THE LOW LEVEL
OF COMMUNIST ACTIVITY HERE. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THE COMMITTEE
AND SUPPORT FROM CHINA WILL FORM THE MAIN THEME OF PROPAGANDA
IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE, BUT IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHAT REAL
EFFECT THIS WILL HAVE UPON THE MORALE AND ACTIVITY OF LOCAL
COMMUNISTS, AND ALSO TO WHAT EXTENT THIS COMMITTEE WILL HERALD
SUPPORT FROM CHINA, BEYOND THAT SO FAR GIVEN, IN THE FORM OF MORAL
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(PLEASE PASS WASHINGTON 340 AND CANBERRA 127).

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My telegram No. 1584.

The number of bombs reported on 28 and 29 October has increased. Details for this five-day period are: daily reports 70, 18, 49, 73 and 106 respectively. Of these 3, 2, 1, 9 and 20 were true bombs and 67, 16, 64 and 79 either hoax or false.

2. The Communist Press has since 25 October been reporting on an anti-unemployment and anti-starvation struggle by six Trade Unions which have launched a one dollar donation campaign to support unemployed workers. During this period the Press has also referred to the 'slogans' and 'principles' reported in my telegram 1585.

3. On 27 October the Communist Press also announced a 'buy Chinese national products' drive for the period 29 October - 10 November. All China products shops are making free gifts to purchasers of mainland products during this period.

4. On 25th, Education Department Inspectors visited a leading Communist school, the Hon Wah Middle School without serious incident. Police raids have continued. On 28th they raided a flat in Kwun Tong (Kowloon) where a quantity of bomb-making material including 15 bombs was seized. Three arrests were made.

5. The border has remained comparatively calm, broken by sporadic stone-throwing at Man Kam To and Lo Wu. On 27 October at Ta Ku Ling villagers removed a small section of the border fence, which was subsequently replaced without incident. On 29th there was an increase in broadcasts from Chinese side demanding reopening of Man Kam To Bridge.

6. On 29 October headline coverage was given to the formation in Canton of a Kwangtung Provincial Committee to support the Hong Kong compatriots.

7. Food supplies continue to arrive normally by rail and sea, pigs are at 85% of the level of imports from China at this time last year and came from Provinces in Central China as well as from Kwangtung.

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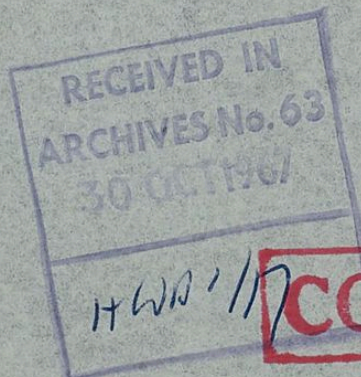
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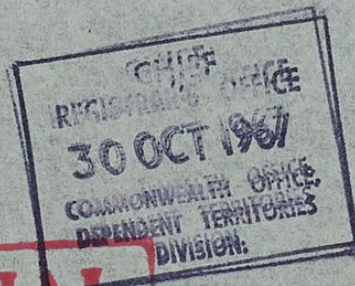
Communist Bomb Campaign

I enclose for your information six copies of a paper on the background to the Communist bomb campaign in Hong Kong up to 25 September, 1967. A further paper covering the period from 26th September onwards is being prepared and will be forwarded in due course.

A note on this subject has also been prepared by the Commander British Forces. It contains details of military assistance provided. Three copies of this paper were given to Mr. C. Godden, Private Secretary to The Minister of State, on 20th October before his departure from Hong Kong.



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THE COMMUNIST BOMB CAMPAIGN to 25th SEPTEMBER, 1967.**A.** GENERAL.

1. This paper covers the main aspects of the bomb campaign as conducted by the Communists during the present disturbances up to the 25th September. It also deals with Government's response to the campaign and its effect on the life of the community and public morale.
2. To set the background, some general statistics may be useful. Although there were two bombs reported in June the campaign may be said to have started in earnest on 10th July. The total number of genuine bombs reported from that date to 25th September was 588. Of these, 179 exploded on contact before the arrival of a demolition team, and the remaining 407 were detonated or otherwise dealt with by these teams. 2453 reports were found on investigation to be false alarms or hoaxes. A further 59 bombs have been found in raids on left-wing premises. Casualties caused by the bombs up to 25th September were six dead and 168 injured, apart from those treated for shock.

B. THE COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN AIMS AND METHODS.Aims.

3. Although attacks have been made on the security forces, public utilities and Government installations, these have not for the most part been very dangerous or pressed home with great resolution. In fact some of the more dangerous bombs have been planted well away from any strategic target. The general pattern is so haphazard and the range of targets so wide that it must be presumed that the Communist aim has been to frighten the population generally and sap their will to resist, thus undermining Government's position, rather than to cause injury or to disrupt the economic life of the Colony. Clearly the very widespread use of hoax bombs was also designed to this effect as well as to extend the security forces. A complementary aim of the campaign appeared to be to shake business (and tourist) confidence in the Colony; witness the bombs planted at various branches of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, Chartered Bank and Bank of America as well as the Hilton Hotel. This may be linked with the letters which have been sent to tourists in Hong Kong or businessmen abroad warning them of the dangers of life in the Colony.

Targets.

4. In general, bombs have been planted in crowded commercial districts rather than in residential areas. While bombs have been found near strategic targets such as public transport (trams, buses and taxis), police and military establishments and Government and public utility installations (resettlement estate offices, telephone kiosks and electricity substations) as stated above, it appears that most of these have been planted with the intention of frightening essential workers or the general population rather than to damage any particular installation. Examples of bombs planted haphazardly

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are (a) the booby-trapped straw effigy hanging from a traffic signal at Whitty Street Tram Terminus which exploded on 26th July injuring 10 people including several children and (b) the parcel left in Ching Wah Street, North Point which killed two small children (out of a number who had been playing in the area) on 20th August.

5. When the radio commentator, LAM Bun, and his cousin were doused with petrol in their car and burnt alive on 24th August there were fears that a trend towards attacks on individuals would develop. However, apart from the postal bomb (in fact with a very weak charge) delivered to the Hon. Y. K. Kan as a riposte to his out-spoken rejection of terrorism, there have been no further individual assassination attempts with explosives. There has so far been no bomb campaigns against Europeans as such.

6. However, in the past few weeks there have been examples of more deliberate planned attempts to attack the security forces with bombs, and this trend may possibly develop further. That the bomb-planters wished to hit at the bomb disposal teams has been apparent from the booby traps which have been fitted to them, but a variation in tactics has appeared since mid-August showing the deliberate intention of hitting at Police parties. For instance

- (a) on 13th August in the Johnston Road area of Wanchai a Police Light Striking Force was attacked with bombs by an unruly crowd. The crowd was dispersed and a box of cast-metal grenades was then found on the tram tracks. When a bomb disposal team arrived to deal with the grenades yet another bomb was thrown at them.
- (b) On 12th September, a banner was strung across Queen's Road Central near its junction with Wellington Street and Jervois Street. When a police party approached it, a bomb in the form of a tin containing nails and metal fragments was detonated electrically from a nearby alley. Two policemen and an army ballistics officer were slightly injured.
- (c) On the evening of 19th September, two bombs were thrown at a police light striking force in Nathan Road, Mongkok injuring five policemen and 24 civilians. Other examples have since occurred of bomb disposal teams coming under attack by bombs thrown from buildings.

7. On 23rd September a real bomb was discovered outside the Commodore's House in Bowen Road. On the morning of 24th, the day of the Governor's return from leave, two bombs were placed near the east gate of Government House. On the same day a number of hoaxes were also found bearing insulting references to the Governor.

8. Control and Organisation.

Information available to date indicates that bombs are being manufactured and planted by small groups and that these groups are

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working individually rather than under the close control of any central organisation. This impression is strengthened by (a) the wide variety of bombs encountered, (b) the fact that a number of small factories (e.g. in squatter huts or even cubicles) have been discovered, and (c) the often haphazard way in which bombs have been planted. There is also no evidence to date of any sophisticated devices being imported from China. Although there is doubtless some coordination it is not yet clear how far it goes. Cells for bomb operations appear to have been formed primarily within a number of Communist controlled unions prominent among them being the Government Armed Forces and Hospital Chinese Workers' Union, the Motor Transport Workers Union and the Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Workers' Union; students from the Communist Hon Wah and Heung To Middle Schools have also been implicated.

9. Indications of how the cells work can be seen in two recent cases;

- (a) On 30th August a man was caught planting a bomb in Sports Road. His interrogation led to the arrest of two more men, and a fourth man in North Point the next morning. A cache of five bombs, three sticks of gelignite, 45 detonators and various lengths of fuse was then found under a pile of sand nearby. The same day a fifth man who had recruited at least two members of the group was arrested at Bisney Villas, Western District, where he worked as a watchman. It is also known that three further persons were involved with the group. This group was financed and apparently controlled by a watchman of the Bank of Communications at North Point who stayed in the background and left the leadership to a quarry worker who made the bombs and gave them to two other members for planting.
- (b) On 2nd September two men were arrested in a flat at Tai Wo Hau Resettlement Estate in possession of four gelignite bombs. Under interrogation they admitted responsibility for at least two previous bomb attacks in Tsuen Wan. After further Police enquiries, a third member of the group, who actually made the bombs, and was responsible for the explosion on the hillside above Tai Wo Hau on 1st September, when a police constable was injured, as well as for bombing a telephone booth on 4th August, was arrested on 20th September.

It appears that the people recruited for the bomb groups are for the most part Communist sympathisers and not just criminals glad of a chance to earn some more money on the side.

Types of Bombs Used.

10. To begin with the explosive devices used were crude and inefficient but they have grown increasingly sophisticated and dangerous during the campaign. Initially the majority of the bombs were merely tins filled with firecracker gunpowder; later, nuts or bits of metal were added as shrapnel. Recently, more solid types of casing have

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been used causing a more powerful explosion and more sophisticated detonating devices have been found. There have been very few bombs containing high explosive. Although a considerable quantity of high explosive and detonators was stolen from two explosive magazines on 15th and 19th August, there has so far been no trace of these being used in bomb making. Indeed, there is no conclusive evidence to connect the explosives theft with the terrorists.

11. The wide variety of devices encountered includes :-

- (a) detonation by remote control (one case only at Tai Po on 12th July);
- (b) anti-personnel or vehicle mines electrically detonated (e.g. Aberdeen, 17th August, Queen's Road 12 September);
- (c) anti-handling devices including friction switches, electrical circuits and light-sensitive switches; other bombs in flag poles which explode on being pulled out of the ground;
- (d) home-made grenades including a number with cast metal casings and containing explosive (these are thought to be similar to those used in guerilla warfare in China prior to 1949);
- (e) explosive in lengths of CI water piping which cause a stronger blast and indicate a closer application of the theory of explosives;
- (f) time bombs, including at least one triggered mechanically by a stolen parking meter clock and others which explode when a battery becomes exhausted;
- (g) "shotgun" bombs consisting of lengths of waterpipe or bamboo packed with nails with a powder charge; these are placed pointing at hoax bombs and detonated electrically or manually;
- (h) explosive charges in packets sent through the post which are meant to explode on being opened.

Hoax Bombs.

12. Although the numbers of genuine bombs planted are small compared with the hoaxes, the latter have proved a great nuisance to the police and bomb disposal teams who have been forced to examine every object found, and to the public which is necessarily made to observe the same safety precautions as for a genuine bomb. There is no particular pattern to be observed in the places where hoaxes are planted, and they are obviously designed simply to heighten tension and to overstretch the security forces.

13. The planting of bombs has shown no particular geographic pattern. As regards time, the bulk of the bombs are found in the evenings, outside working and school hours. Initially it appeared that the weekends were the most popular time for planting the maximum

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number of bombs but this did not persist. The highest number of casualties were caused on the evening of Sunday, 3rd September when a Fire Services Officer was killed and 12 other persons, including a Police Inspector, were injured in one incident on Hong Kong Island; three were injured in a further incident nearby, and a further ten in Kowloon.

14. Up to 25th September, five persons had been killed by bombs and 168 injured. The fatal casualties include Sgt. Workman R. A. O. C., killed whilst attempting to dismantle a booby trapped flag on Lion Rock Hill on 28th August; an Assistant Station Officer of the Fire Services killed on 3rd September; two small children and one Chinese civilian. Amongst the injured are a number of police officers and six members of bomb disposal teams. One suspected bomb-planter was shot dead, one was killed (Jockey Club cook, 20th September); and seven injured when bombs they were carrying exploded.

C. GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO THE BOMB CAMPAIGN.

15. The aim of the security forces has been to deal with these bombs as they occur and to minimize their effect on the life of the community.

16. As a result of the raids on explosives stores on 15th and 19th August (para 10 above), Government on 19th-22nd August withdrew all stocks of explosives totalling some 20 tons to the government depot at Green Island. It is being reissued in small quantities under strict security guard. On 8th September following the promulgation of the Emergency (Firework) Regulations, a similar operation was mounted to collect all stocks of fireworks in private hands. About 150 tons of fireworks were collected or handed in during this operation. These have been dumped in the sea. In a series of searches and raids police have since found quantities of firework material and 284 sticks of explosives. None of the latter came from the raided explosive stores however.

Bomb Disposal.

17. Bomb disposal teams were quickly set up. Initially the Police Ballistics Officer investigated all suspected bombs, but as the number increased Army bomb disposal teams were brought into action starting on 28th July. Five such teams including naval personnel are now working in twelve hour shifts on either side of the harbour. On receipt of a report of a suspected bomb, a police party is first despatched to the scene to cordon off the area and the bomb disposal team is then sent out. The maximum protection is given to these teams while they carry out this work.

18. Reports on bombs are compiled by the district Pol/Mils and collected by a Bomb Disposal Control at Colony Pol/Mil who produce a weekly report. This information is also passed to a special CID/SB team who are responsible for tracking down criminals.

19. A considerable amount of information, much of it anonymous, has been received by the Police about bomb factories and bomb workers. However, the bulk of this information has been too vague and inaccurate to be of any value; in some cases it has been clearly malicious. The

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rewards offered for information have not had much effect in producing useful information, though this aspect is still being followed up. Most police action so far against bombers has been as a result of information obtained from arrested suspects, though a number of bombs and bomb materials have been found in raids on Communist premises.

Legal Measures.

20. A number of new regulations have been introduced to deal with bombs:-

- (a) on 22nd July, the definition of "explosive substance" in the Emergency (Principal) Regulation was amended to include materials for making any explosive substance or apparatus for causing explosions.
- (b) On 12th August these regulations were further amended to permit the imposition of heavier sentences by the District Courts for offences under these regulations, with explosives particularly in mind.
- (c) On 5th September a further two emergency regulations were passed making it an offence to be in possession of simulated or hoax bombs.

Prosecutions.

21. Up to 25th September, 40 persons had been prosecuted for offences involving explosives or explosive devices. Most of these prosecutions were taken under the emergency regulations making it an offence to be unlawfully in possession of offensive weapons and explosive substances or to consort with such persons. Some prisoners have been charged under the Explosive Substances Ordinance Cap. 206 or the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance Cap. 238. Sentences of eight years have been given by the District Courts for the more serious offences.

D. EFFECTS OF THE CAMPAIGN.

22. The bomb campaign has had remarkably little effect in Hong Kong thanks to the calmness and staying-power of the people and the efforts of the Police and bomb disposal teams. The number of serious casualties has been relatively low and property damage slight. There have inevitably been disruptions of normal life, such as traffic hold-ups while areas were cordoned off for bomb disposal, but these have been a temporary nuisance rather than damaging to the economy or public morale.

Colonial Secretariat,
20th October, 1967.

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From the Governor, Hong Kong

To the Secretary of State for ^{Commonwealth Affairs} ~~the Colonies~~No. 342

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Date 21st October, 1967My Reference (73) in 45/3371/67 Your Reference Weekly Emergency Statistical Report

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My Saving Despatch No.1501 of

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EMERGENCY STATISTICAL REPORTWEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY, 18th OCTOBER, 1967.

a. <u>POLICE REPORT</u>	Week 11/18th Oct.	Week 5/11th Oct.	Total since 11th May
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1. CASUALTIES

Police	Killed	1	-	7
	injured	11	10	178
Military	killed	-	-	1
	injured	4	1	23
Other uniformed services	killed	-	-	1
	injured	-	-	4
Opposition	killed	2	1	24
	injured	11	3	297
Others	killed	1	-	11
	injured	44	7	185
Burials by Government of unclaimed bodies		-	-	21
Other burials		2	-	12
Bodies still unclaimed		1	1	2

2. POLICE USE OF FIREARMS

(a) Gas used	2	1	82
(b) Ball ammo used	3	-	52
(c) Casualties killed	-	-	16
Injured	3	-	41

3. ARRESTS

Total arrests	116	32	4027
Released (without charge)	27	1	1853
Acquitted	19	6	316
Convicted	13	48	1726
Died in Custody	-	-	5
Remanded/Awaiting trial	125	65	*
Pending	2	5	*

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Oct.Total since
11th May**3. ARRESTS (cont)**

Detention orders under Emergency Regulation 31	-	-	3
Deportation Orders under Emergency (Deportation & Detention) Regulations	-	-	22
Deported	-	-	-

Analysis of Convictions

Riot	-	-	316
Unlawful Assembly	-	6	462
Breach of Curfew	-	-	232
Inflammatory Speeches	-	-	69
Inflammatory Posters	5	4	164
Intimidation	3	6	146
Possession of bombs:			
Real	-	4	17
Hoax	-	1	22
Other Offences	5	27	298

4. DAMAGE**(a) Property**

Government Buildings	1	-	41
Banks	-	-	24
Cinemas/Theatres	-	-	6
Other Buildings	1	-	41
Parking Meters	6	12	2398

(b) Vehicles

Government (inc. Police)	2	-	22
Buses	4	-	37
Trams	-	-	7
Taxis	-	-	22
Public Cars	-	-	6
Other Vehicles	7	-	63

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	Week 11/18th Oct.	Week 4th/11th Oct.	Total since 11th May
5. <u>BOMBS</u>			
Reports	1044	303	4490
False Alarms/Hoaxes	818	245	3771
Explosions	24	6	208
Unexploded bombs found as a result of reports	226	58	719
Unexploded bombs found as a result of search	1	32	93
Explosives recovered (sticks)			
Gelignite	9	23	148
Dynamite	-	-	562
Casualties/Police/Public			
Killed	2	-	7
Injured	55	18	235
Suspected Terrorists:			
Killed	2	-	5
Injured	1	-	9

6. POLICE RAIDS

Opposed	1	-	8
Unopposed	67	60	780

7. CURFEWS

Hong Kong Island	-	-	3
Kowloon	-	-	5
New Territories	-	-	1

8. ATTACKS ON TRANSPORT AND OTHER WORKERS

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	11/18th Oct.	5/11th Oct.	11/18th Oct 1966	Average Retail Price \$/Catty	Normal Price
<u>SWINE (nos)</u>					
Local	2,217	1,859		3.60	3.20
China	31,080	31,200	40,101		
Overseas	432	2,048	3,519		
	33,729	35,107	43,620		
<u>CATTLE (nos)</u>					
Local	22	26	46	4.60	3.80
China	2,360	2,086	3,015		
Overseas	419	2,169	1,654		
	2,801	4,485	4,715		
<u>VEGETABLES (piculs)</u>					
Local	44,484	37,667	38,171	.45c.	.45c.
China	57,581	51,324	53,500		
Overseas	5,100	4,900	*		
	107,165	93,891	91,671		
<u>FISH (Piculs)</u>					
Local	25,377	24,147	21,293	2.00	1.60
China	972	137	737		
	26,349	24,304	22,030		
<u>RICE (tons)</u>					
Stock	104,000	98,106		1.00	.80c.
China Imports	2,600	2,260			
Other Imports	1,500	9,560			
Offtake	4,000	5,700			
Stock end week	104,000	104,000	70,000		

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STAFF POSITION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND UTILITY COMPANIES
16th OCTOBER, 1967.

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	Strength prior to disturbances	No. dismissed after strike	Number Reinstated	New Employees	Present Strength	Percentage of pre- disturbances total
Star Ferry	590	590	389	69	456	77%
Hong Kong & Yamati Ferry	1,885	115	10	77	1,829	97%
Hong Kong Tramways	1,713	679	2	562	1,300	76%
China Motor Bus Co.	2,360	1,273	80	410	1,511	64%
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	7,194	4,907	739	943	3,877	54%
Hong Kong Electric Co.	978	148	12	56	858	88%
China Light and Power	2,745	709	52	389	2,467	91%
Hong Kong & China Gas	548	334	170	14	391	71%

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TRANSPORT POSITION
WEEK ENDING 11th OCTOBER, 1967

	Buses 18th Oct.	Passengers daily average 10/16th Oct.	Buses 11th Oct.	Passengers daily average 3/9th Oct.	Passengers pre- disturbance daily average	Percentage of pre disturbance total
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	379	1,118,319	367	1,167,541	1,888,369	60%
China Motor Bus Co.	251	384,361	242	405,615	569,488	67.5%
Hong Kong Tramways	157	371,618	148	417,661	479,544	77.5%

	Week ending 16th Oct.	Tonnage	Week ending 9th Oct.	Tonnage	1966	
K.C.R. Wagons	550	8,179	366	4,501	774	71%
River Boats	165	17,913	164	19,139	245	44%

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My immediately preceding telegram.

The number of real bombs on 20 and 21 October followed by the very limited daily number thereafter did not achieve the spectacular 'send-off' for Lord Shepherd as predicted in the Communist Press. This poor response may be attributed to low morale amongst the militant groups and the effect of continuing arrests.

2. The general trend in the Press during this period suggests that a wider-based campaign supporting industrial and social grievances may be adopted for the immediate future. This is a reversion to the line initiated during the 1 October celebrations.

3. In the morning Communist Press of 25th prominence is given to a joint statement of the anti persecution Struggle Committees of the new territories made on 24 October denouncing the Hong Kong Government for suppression and persecution of compatriots. It contains six 'fighting slogans' and 'twenty five principles of the anti British struggle' (my telegram No. 1580 refers). This may be the prelude to more disruptive attention being paid by the Communists to the New Territories in general and the Border Area in particular.

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Telno. 1584 25 October, 1967.

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1584 of 25 October.
Repeated for information to POLAD Singapore, Washington and Canberra.

Sitrep for period 200800 to 250800: my telegram 1560.

There has been a marked decrease in the number of real bombs. From 17 to 24 on 20th and 21st October, the daily number dropped to three. There have been no casualties. Twelve arrests were made in connexion with bomb planting. Police are continuing raids against selected premises and schools.

2. The border has remained generally quiet. At Man Kam To there has been occasional stoning of the barrier, minor demonstrations and broadcasts demanding inter alia reopening of bridge.

3. Food supplies continue to arrive in good quantities, mainly by rail, where the number of freight wagons crossing is now about 75% of normal.

4. On 23 October, Fai Yi Man, Managing Director of the Ta Kung Pao called a Press conference to which representatives of the local Press and selected foreign correspondents were invited. The Communist Press of 24 October reported Fai's statement in which he catalogued the Government's offences against the Communists.

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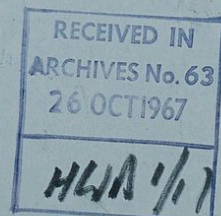
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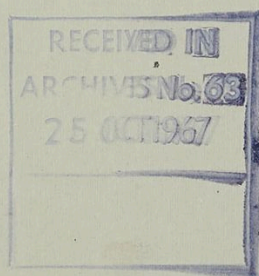
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FOR SECRETARY LIC(HK) FROM SECRETARY JIC

FOLLOWING IS ITEM FROM WEEKLY SURVEY OF INTELLIGENCE DATED 26/10/67
HONG KONG (SECRET)

1. BOMB INCIDENTS HAVE CONTINUED, BUT ON A REDUCED SCALE. THE ABSENCE OF STREET DEMONSTRATIONS AND THE TEMPORARY UPSURGE IN BOMB INCIDENTS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO LORD SHEPHERD'S DEPARTURE ON 21ST OCTOBER MAY INDICATE AN INCREASING RELUCTANCE OF MILITANT GROUPS TO EXPOSE THEMSELVES TO ARREST. WAVES OF VIOLENCE CAN HOWEVER BE EXPECTED WHENEVER THERE IS A CONFLICT WITH THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT ON PARTICULAR ISSUES WHICH CAN BE REPRESENTED BY THE LOCAL COMMUNISTS AS JUSTIFYING VIOLENT ACTION. THIS WOULD APPLY ESPECIALLY TO ISSUES WHICH COULD BE INTERPRETED AS AFFRONTING THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND WHICH COULD BE EXPLOITED AS A PRETEXT FOR INVOLVING CHINA'S NATIONAL PRIDE IN THE LOCAL STRUGGLE.
2. ANTI-BRITISH PROPAGANDA HAS CONTINUED IN THE COMMUNIST PRESS. THERE WAS A PARTICULARLY STRONG REACTION TO THE ACTION OF THE HONG KONG AUTHORITIES IN RAIDING A COMMUNIST CONTROLLED SCHOOL AFTER ONE OF ITS STUDENTS HAD BEEN BADLY WOUNDED BY A BOMB THAT HE HAD HIMSELF PLANTED. THE GENERAL TEND OF THE COMMUNIST PRESS SUGGESTS THAT INDUSTRIAL AND SOCIAL GRIEVANCES MAY BE MADE THE BROAD THEME OF AGITATION IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.
3. THE BRITISH INSPECTOR OF POLICE ABDUCTED ON 14TH OCTOBER IS STILL REPORTED TO BE HELD AT THE PUBLIC SECURITY BUREAU AT SHAM CHUN ON THE CHINESE SIDE OF THE BORDER. ALTHOUGH THE BORDER HAS REMAINED COMPARATIVELY QUIET, THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT HAVE PROTESTED AT THE CLOSING OF THE MAN KAM TO BRIDGE (CLOSED FOLLOWING THE INSPECTOR'S ABDUCTION) AND LOCAL BROADCASTS HAVE THREATENED VIOLENT ACTION IF THE BRIDGE REMAINS CLOSED.

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HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

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Press

241815 Attention Glover

A forty-five year old man was today sentenced to ten (repeat ten) years imprisonment at Kowloon District Court for possessing three bombs.

Man was arrested by villagers at Hillside of Pak Sha Wan in Sai Kung District of New Territories on 21 September

A bomb which was placed on staircase between second and third floors of Causeway Bay Magistracy Building exploded this morning but no (repeat no) one was injured.

This only bomb reported between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. today. Ends Informs.

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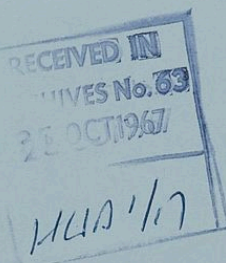
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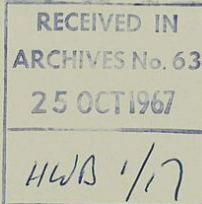
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For CDS, Chairman COSAUST, CDS NZ.

Sitrep 23 Oct 67.

1. Hong Kong.
 - a. After a reduction in the number of bomb incidents during the week there was an upsurge of live bombs planted on Fri and Sat, the day of Lord Shepherd's departure.
 - b. Apart from broadcasts from Chinese side of the border demanding the re-opening of the bridge at Man Kam To, and exhorting police and "MRCNRY soldiers" to rebel against authority, the border area remained quiet. There is no news of the whereabouts of Senior Inspector Knight.
2. Deployments.
 - a. Army. 1 LF relieved 2 Queens in Hong Kong (Kowloon) 18 Oct. 2 Queens returned UK.
 - b. Air. 4 Hunters of 20 Sqn returned Tengah from Kai Tak 20 Oct. Detachment 15 FD Sqn (RAF Regiment) at RAF Kai Tak reduced to one flight.
3. Exercises.
 - a. CASSOCK (13 Oct to 4 Nov). Tactical trials, equipment evaluation and exercises with a nuclear submarine (HMS DREADNOUGHT) and LRMP aircraft in the Andaman Sea area. HMS EAGLE participates 24 to 28 Oct.
 - b. MALAYAN LITEX. Flight refuelling continuation training for Lightnings of 74 Sqn with two Victor Tankers from UK.

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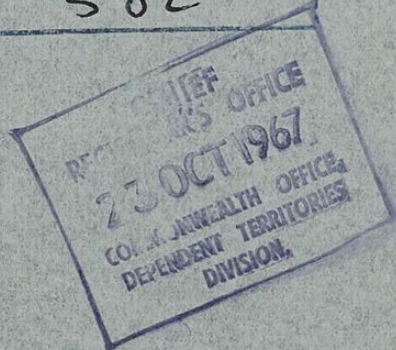
Weekly Emergency Statistical Report

My Saving Despatch No. 1501 of

10th August refers.

I enclose two copies of the report
for the week ending 11th October, 1967.

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EMERGENCY STATISTICAL REPORTWEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY, 11th OCTOBER, 1967.

A. POLICE REPORT.	Week 5/11th Oct.	Week 27th Sept/ 4th Oct.	Total since 11th May
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1. CASUALTIES

Police killed	-	-	6
Police injured	10	2	167
Military killed	-	-	1
Military injured	1	-	19
Other uniformed services killed	-	-	1
Other uniformed services injured	-	-	4
Opposition killed	1	1	22
Opposition injured	3	1	286
Others killed	-	-	10
Others injured	7	1	141
Burials by Government of unclaimed bodies	-	-	21
Other burials	-	-	10
Bodies still unclaimed	1	-	1

2. POLICE USE OF FIREARMS

(a) Gas used	1	1	80
(b) Ball ammo used	-	1	49
(c) Casualties killed	-	1	16
(c) Casualties injured	-	-	38

3. ARRESTS

Total arrests	32	183	3911
Released (without charge)	1	126	1826
Acquitted	6	10	297
Convicted	48	34	1713
Died in Custody	-	-	5
Remanded/Awaiting trial	65	92	*
Pending	5	1	*

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	4th/11th Oct.	27th Sept/ 4th Oct.	Total since 11th May
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3. ARRESTS (cont)

Detention orders under Emergency Regulation 31	-	3	3
Deportation orders under Emergency (Deportation & Detention) Regulations	-	-	22
Deported	-	-	-

Analysis of Convictions

Riot	-	5	316
Unlawful Assembly	6	4	462
Breach of Curfew	-	-	232
Inflammatory Speeches	-	*	69
Inflammatory Posters	4	*	159
Intimidation	6	*	143
Possession of Bombs:			
Real	4	3	17
Hoax	1	2	22
Other Offences	27	*	293

4. DAMAGE(a) Property

Government Buildings	-	-	40
Banks	-	-	24
Cinemas/Theatres	-	-	6
Other Buildings	-	-	40
Parking Meters	12	14	2392

(b) Vehicles

Government (incl. Police)	-	-	20
Buses	-	-	33
Trams	-	-	7
Taxis	-	-	22
Public Cars	-	-	6
Other Vehicles	-	-	56

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	Week 4th/11th Oct.	Week 27th Sept/ 4th Oct.	Total since 11th May
5. <u>BOMBS</u>			
Reports	303	155	3446
False Alarms/Hoaxes	245	144	2953
Explosions	6	-	184
Unexploded bombs found as a result of reports	58	11	493
Unexploded bombs found as a result of search	1	-	61
Explosives recovered (sticks)			
Gelignite	23	-	139
Dynamite	-	252	562
Casualties/Police/Public			
Killed	-	-	5
Injured	18	1	180
Suspected Terrorists:			
Killed	-	-	3
Injured	-	-	8

6. POLICE RAIDS

Opposed	-	-	7
Unopposed	60	100	713

7. CURFEWS

Hong Kong Island	-	-	3
Kowloon	-	-	5
New Territories	-	-	1

8. ATTACKS ON TRANSPORT AND OTHER WORKERS

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CONFIDENTIALFOOD REPORT - WEEK ENDING 11.10.67.

	5/11th Oct.	28th Sept/ 4th Oct.	5/11th Oct 1966	Average Retail Price \$/Catty	Normal Price
<u>SWINE (Nos)</u>					
Local	1859	1934	4629	3.40	3.20
China	31,200	34,225	37,464		
Overseas	2,048	1,911	287		
	35,107	38,070	42,390		
<u>CATTLE (Nos)</u>					
Local	26	49	39	5.00	3.80
China	2,086	2,197	3,057		
Overseas	2,169	2,086	1,410		
	4,485	4,332	4,506		
<u>VEGETABLES (Piculs)</u>					
Local	37,667	33,152	41,538	.50c.	.45c.
China	51,324	47,925	53,536		
Overseas	4,900	7,100			
	93,891	88,177			
<u>FRUIT (Piculs)</u>					
China	32,125	21,742	*		
<u>RICE (tons)</u>					
Stock	98,106	87,978		1.00	.80c.
China Imports	2,260	4,520			
Other Imports	9,560	11,563			
Offtake	5,700	5,955			
Stock end week	104,000	98,106	70,000		

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TRANSPORT POSITION
WEEK ENDING 11th OCTOBER, 1967.

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	Buses 11th Oct.	Passengers daily average 3/9 th Oct.	Buses 4th Oct.	Passengers daily average 26th Sept/ 7th Oct.	Passengers pre- disturbance daily average	Percentage of pre- disturbance total.
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	367	1,167,541	366	1,122,769	1,868,369	62.5%
China Motor Bus Co.	242	405,615	234	387,704	569,488	71%
Hong Kong Tramways	148	417,661	143	410,373	369,488	87%

<u>FREIGHT FROM CHINA</u>	Week ending 9th Oct.	Tonnage	Week ending 2nd Oct.	Tonnage	1966	
K.C.R. Wagons	366	4,501	184	1,848	1,102	37%
River Boats	164	19,139	208	26,574	245	43%

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STAFF POSITION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND UTILITY COMPANIES
11th OCTOBER, 1967.

Staff	Strength prior to disturbances	No. dismissed after strike	Number Reinstated	New Employees/ Promotions	Present Strength	Percentage of pre-disturbances total
<u>PUBLIC UTILITIES</u>						
Star Ferry	590	590	389	69	456	77%
Hong Kong & Yamato Ferry	1,885	115	10	77	1,828	97%
Hong Kong Tramways	1,713	679	2	528	1,261	74%
China Motor Bus Co.	2,360	1,273	80	354	1,455	62%
Hong Kong Electric Co.	978	148	12	55	857	88%
China Light & Power	2,745	709	52	347	2,435	89%
Hong Kong & China Gas	548	334	170	41	390	71%
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	7,194	4,907	726	894	3,819	53%

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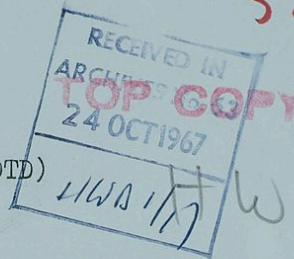
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Telno 1574

23 October 1967

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1574 of 23 October.
Repeated for information to PA Singapore, Washington and Canberra.

For Commonwealth Office and Cabinet Office for JIC.
Following from LIC.

Weekly assessment of the situation as at 23 October 0600 hours follows:-

The principal features of the Communist confrontation during the period have been:-

(a) The continuation of bomb incidents on a somewhat reduced scale but marked by more frequent disruption of traffic, through planting of real or 'hoax' bombs at main road intersections and an increase in activity prior to Lord Shepherd's departure. 115 genuine and 236 'hoax' bombs were reported. 4 exploded on impact or prior to the arrival of bomb teams and 1 wrecked the engine room of a police launch moored at Cheung Chau Island. 1 civilian was slightly injured by the blast of a device detonated by a bomb team and a student of the Communist controlled Chung Wah Middle School was badly wounded by his own bomb. Following this latter incident, police raided the premises of this school and a number of arrests were made for obstructing police. No evidence was found of bomb manufacturing. 14 persons have been arrested for planting bombs, 3 of them due to action by members of the public. The majority are students of Communist controlled schools and Union members.

(b) A return to comparative calm in the border area, broken only by sporadic attempts by civilians in C.T. to stone the barrier on the Man Kam To Bridge. The C.C.A. has dispersed stone throwers. The bridge remains closed. The C.C.A. has dug a new trench line round the bend of the river east of Man Kam To which would give them improved fields of fire. On 18 October a militant resident of Lo Fung (CT) was arrested in B.T. in connection with an attack by villagers on police/military patrol on 11 August (paragraph 3 of my telegram 1560 refers). Subsequently an oral protest about frontier policy was made in Peking to Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires, containing an assortment of demands and accompanied by propaganda statement in much more violent terms by N.C.N.A.

(c) Continued anti-British propaganda in the Communist Press. Bomb incidents were described as a welcome for Lord Shepherd and his visit was attacked as an escalation of Britain's anti-China policy. The C.P.G. protest Note concerning the closing of Man Kam To Bridge and protests by many Anti-Persecution Struggle Committees (APSCs) at the raid on the Chung Wah Middle School were given wide publicity. At the end of the week statements by Union A.P.S.Cs concerning unemployment and social grievances were again receiving prominence.

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(d) The distribution by some Communist Unions of strike pay for November on a scale similar to previous months. However, there are indications that funds are running low and that payment will no longer be made to strikers who have secured alternative employment.

(e) An improvement in food supplies from China by rail at Lo Wu and the arrival by boat of some produce which normally enters via the Man Kam To Bridge.

2. Police action against Communist targets has continued, including raids against the homes of several students of Communist controlled schools, and has resulted in further seizures of crude weapons, explosives and inflammatory documents. On 18 October a leading member of the "fighting unit" of the Kowloon Motor Bus Branch of the Motor Transport Workers' Union was detained under the Deportation of Aliens' Ordinance.

3. An inspection was carried out by Education Department staff at the Communist controlled Fukien Middle School. No irregularities came to notice. However, the now customary protests were made by staff and students over the arrest of students generally.

4. The Senior Inspector of Police abducted on 14 October at Man Kam To (telegram 1545 refers) is still reported to be held at the Public Security Bureau, Shum Chun, where he is being questioned and apparently well treated.

5. There has been little local reaction so far to the arrest of the Lo Fung villager in B.T. on 19 October (telegram 1560 refers). At meetings held by Communes in C.T. in the border area it was decided to ask the C.P.G. to negotiate his release and issue a general warning to all villagers in the border area not to cross into B.T. unless on essential business. The tone of these meetings was generally defensive.

6. The violent outbursts by the Communist Press, following the raid on the Communist controlled Chung Wah Middle School suggests that the Communist leadership is apprehensive that schools may be closed for breach of conditions laid down by the Director of Education prohibiting political activity by students and this may have a deterrent effect upon the involvement of students in acts of violence. There is evidence that students in some Communist schools are being warned to clear their classrooms of inflammatory matter.

7. The relatively minor upsurge in bomb incidents and the absence of street demonstrations immediately prior to the departure of Lord Shepherd on 21 October cannot have been considered the successful "send off" predicted in the Communist Press. This may indicate an increasing reluctance by some Communist rank and file to become involved, due in part, no doubt, to the number of arrests of persons responsible for bomb incidents and the willingness shown by members of the public to assist actively in the arrest of offenders. However, waves of violent action can be expected when particular conflicts arise with Government, but the general trend of the Communist Press now suggests that industrial and social grievances may be the broad theme of agitation in the immediate future. The tone of the oral protest

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about the frontier suggests perhaps, some readiness to seek a settlement of immediate border problems.

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Sir D. Trench

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23 October
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For Commonwealth Office and Cabinet Office. For JIC.

1. It seems to us of first importance to keep knowledge
of the Chinese approach within as small a circle as possible.
For this reason we have made no reference to it in our draft
assessment which has a wide distribution here.

2. We would be grateful if similar action were observed
in London and at other recipient posts.

Sir D. Trench

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PRIORITY HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No.1565 of 21 October.
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For Cabinet Office for JIC. Your JICTEL 751 Explosives.

1. No evidence has so far been discovered to suggest that explosives used in making bombs are being replenished from China or Macau. It appears that in 95% of the cases the explosive charge has been black powder, used in the manufacture of fireworks: in the remainder commercial gelignite has been used. There has been no evidence of highly sophisticated devices nor that bombs have been anything but locally manufactured. Petrol and other incendiary devices have occasionally been used.

(197) 2. It is believed that the black powder has been obtained from fireworks which were not surrendered and that the gelignite had been pilfered from quarries before government restrictions were imposed in August. There has for some years been a black market in gelignite for the local fishing industry. This source is by now probably becoming exhausted but so far we have been unable to locate the large quantity of gelignite stolen in August from magazines, (my telegram 1285 refers). Though there are grounds for believing that much of this has found its way to the fishing industry, a quantity may still be available for local Communists.

3. So far, on the whole, Communist bomb action appears to be designed to intimidate and attract attention rather than to cause serious damage. For political reasons, the action has to be clearly the work of "the masses" rather than of professionals. If there were a change of policy it would be relatively easy to smuggle in explosives from either China or Macau: but at present CPG approval for such a change does not seem likely. On the other hand, we could not exclude the possibility of individual militants making private arrangements to bring in explosives from China or elsewhere especially if supplies in the Colony run out completely.

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Sir D. Trench

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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

Telno 1561

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1561 of 20 October

And to POLAD Singapore, Washington and Canberra

Sitrep for period 170800 to 200800.

My immediately preceding telegram.

The approach of typhoon 'Carla' which was nearest Hong Kong during 19 October without doubt contributed to the reduced activity of the Communists during this period. On the other hand this lull may be a gathering of momentum for activity to bid Lord Shepherd farewell.

2. The Communist Press has strongly criticised the raid on the Chung Wah Middle School (my telegram 1537 paragraph 8 refers) and there have been subsequent indications in Communist school circles that they fear future Government action against them.

3. We believe that Inspector Knight is still in Shum Chun.

Foreign Office please pass to Washington 329 and Canberra 121.

Sir D. Trench

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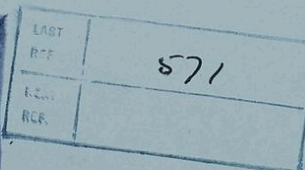
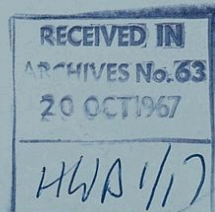
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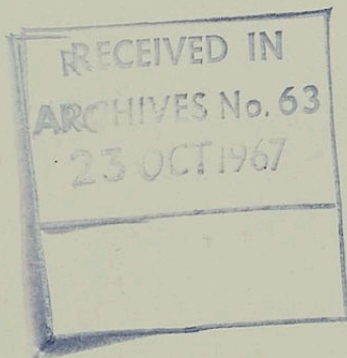
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Bomb-planting has subsided over the last three days.
Out of 187 reports during this period, there were only
26 true bombs with no casualties.

2. Police raids on suspected premises have continued.
On 17th, a number of bombs and sticks of explosives were
discovered in a school near Sai Kung in the New Territories.
On 18th, two Press reporters attending a hoax bomb incident
at the gates of the Communist Pui Kui Middle School were
assaulted by a group of persons including students who also
forced them to expose their film. No arrests were made.
During 19th a number of raids were made on premises including
the homes of Communist school students implicated in various
incidents. 12 persons were detained and a quantity of
inflammatory material seized.

3. The frontier has been generally quiet but tense.
At 190845 at Ta Ku Ling the police arrested a well known
troublemaker from Lo Fong village Chinese territory who has
been charged with riot, intimidation, wounding and robbery.
He was the ringleader in the incident which occurred near
Ta Kwu Ling on 11 August when a police party was attacked
by a group of farmers from C.T. and one Police Officer was
seriously injured. During the afternoon of the same day a
broadcast was made from C.T. demanding his release. At
Man Kam To there have been other broadcasts demanding the
reopening of the bridge and removal of the wire fence.
There has also been some sporadic stone throwing.

4. The train services between Canton and Shum Chun have been
maintained throughout this period, with some increase in the
amount of goods and livestock conveyed. General food situation
has remained generally stable, any deficiency being attrib-
utable more to typhoon "Carla" than to consequential effects of
closing the bridge at Man Kam To.

C.O. please pass Singapore 401, Washington 328 and
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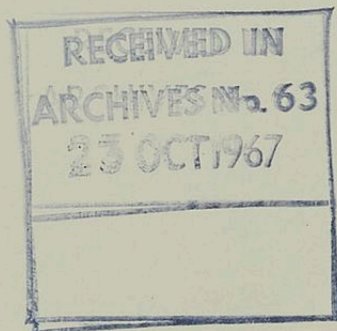
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YOUR TELEGRAM NO. 2130.

FOR GALSWORTHY FROM HALL.

WE FEEL YOUR PROPOSED REPLY TENDS TO STRESS 'TERRORISM'
UNDULY, THIS TO SOME EXTENT PLAYS INTO THE HANDS OF ^R TROUBLE-
MAKERS. THE BOMB INCIDENTS AT PRESENT AT ANY RATE DO NOT
AMOUNT TO 'TERROR' AND ARE SIGNALLY FAILING TO UPSET THE NORMAL
LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY. IN GENERAL THE ATMOSPHERE IS ONE OF
'BUSINESS AS USUAL' AND, E.G. OPENING OF RACING SEASON ON
SATURDAY AND MONDAY LAST WAS WELL ATTENDED.

2. WE SUGGEST EMPHASIS SHOULD BE ON NORMALCY RATHER THAN
ON TERRORISM AND WOULD PREFER REPLY AS FOLLOWS:
'ECONOMICALLY HONG KONG CONTINUES TO PROSPER BECAUSE OF THE
DETERMINATION, ENERGY AND INDUSTRY OF HER PEOPLE. EXPORTS
AND TOURISTS HAVE INCREASED BY 16% AND 12% OVER THE CORRESPONDING
FIGURES FOR 1966. IN MOST WAYS THE COLONY CONTINUES ITS
NORMAL, ENERGETIC LIFE DESPITE SPORADIC BOMB INCIDENTS.

I KNOW THE HOUSE WILL WISH TO RECORD THEIR ADMIRATION FOR
THE SPLENDID BEHAVIOUR OF THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG WHO HAVE
REFUSED TO BE INTIMIDATED BY THE ACTS OF VIOLENCE BY A
VERY SMALL GROUP OF TROUBLEMAKERS. WE ALL DEPLORE THE LOSS
OF LIFE AND INJURIES THESE HAVE CAUSED AND I AM SURE THE HOUSE
WILL WISH ME TO EXPRESS OUR SYMPATHY TO THOSE WHO HAVE
SUFFERED PERSONAL LOSSES. THE HONG KONG POLICE HAVE CONTINUED
TO CARRY OUT THEIR ONEROUS AND DANGEROUS DUTIES WITH DETERMINATION
AND RESTRAINT.'

3. WITH REFERENCE TO PARA. 3 OF YOUR TELEGRAM, WEEKLY
STATISTICS ALREADY SENT TO YOU BY BAG GIVE UP TO DATE
INFORMATION AND WE THINK DETAILS AS OF THAT DATE SHOULD BE
SUFFICIENT.

4. MINISTER IS MAKING T.V. STATEMENT TODAY AND TEXT WILL BE

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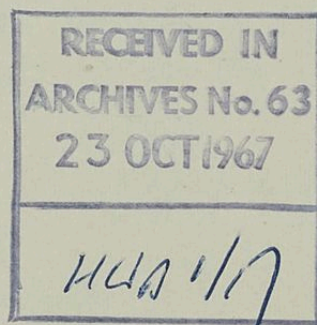
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In a lightning operation at Ta Kwu Ling village this morning a police party arrested a man who is believed to be ringleader of past disturbances on British Territory in this sector of border.

He is Iu Wong Kwai (repeat Iu Wong Kwai) forty-five from Lo Fang village (repeat Lo Fang village) which lies just across the frontier from Ta Kwu Ling.

Iu is now being questioned by police in connexion with incident at Lo Fang Bridge on August 11 when a police inspector was seriously injured and Stirling machine gun stolen by a violent group of troublemakers from across border.

Typhoon threat apparently discouraged local terrorists from planting bombs today Thursday. Only eleven objects were found between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. of which only two proved to be real bombs.

Typhoon Carla which caused death of more than forty people in Taiwan by-passed Colony. Storm had been threatening Colony for past two days.

Governor in Council has accepted Housing Board's recommendations as a working basis subject to availability of sites and funds for Government's resettlement and low cost housing programmes for six year period from April 1966 to March 1972.

This acceptance of recommendations as a working basis has also been endorsed by Finance Committee of Legislative Council.

Board's recommendations are:

- (1) an increase of space standard in re-designed resettlement blocks from a minimum of twenty-four square feet to thirty-five square feet per adult (i.e. person over ten years of age) on first allocation in all but larger rooms; and
- (2) an adjustment of balance between present resettlement and Government low cost housing building programmes to allow six-hundred -and-fifty-thousand individual units of Government low cost housing to be constructed between April 1 1966 and March 31 1972.

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Hong Kong telegram U/N to Commonwealth Office.

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These are principal recommendations made by Housing Board in its report which was tabled at meeting of Legislative Council on June 28 this year.

Financial Secretary Mr. J. Cowperthwaite will be leaving Hong Kong by air tomorrow for London for discussions with officials of Commonwealth Office and other Departments in Whitehall on implications for Hong Kong of Britain's application to join Common Market.

Mr. Cowperthwaite will be accompanied by Mr. C.P. Haddon-Cave Deputy Economic Secretary and Mr. D.G. Jeaffreson Assistant Director of Commerce and Industry.

Minister of State for Commonwealth Affairs Lord Shepherd held meeting with Representatives of Colony's three major trade and industrial organisations this morning.

They are Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, Federation of Hong Kong Industries and Chinese Manufacturers Association.

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IMMEDIATE COMMONWEALTH OFFICE TO HONG KONG

TELNO 2130

18 OCTOBER 1967 (HWB 1/17)

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FOLLOWING FOR HALL FROM GALSORTHY.

ANTHONY ROYLE M.P. HAS PUT DOWN QUESTION FOR ORAL REPLY ON 24 OCTOBER ASKING SECRETARY OF STATE IF HE WILL MAKE STATEMENT ON SITUATION IN HONG KONG. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF DRAFT REPLY WHICH WE PROPOSE TO SUBMIT:

QUOTE.

THE MONTH OF AUGUST WAS MARKED BY AN INCREASED RESORT TO TERRORISM ON THE PART OF THE COMMUNISTS, AND BOMB INCIDENTS HAVE CONTINUED SINCE THEN WITH FLUCTUATING INTENSITY. I KNOW THE HOUSE WILL JOIN WITH ME IN DEPLORING THE LOSS OF LIFE AND INJURIES CAUSED BY THIS ODIOS AND QUITE POINTLESS TERRORISM, AND IN EXPRESSING OUR SYMPATHY TO THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY IT.

INCIDENTS HAVE OCCURRED ON THE FRONTIER VARYING FROM MINOR INCURSIONS OF CIVILIANS TO MORE SERIOUS INCIDENTS SUCH AS THE ABDUCTION OF POLICE PERSONNEL AND CIVILIANS.

THE HONG KONG POLICE HAVE CONTINUED TO ACT VIGOROUSLY AGAINST THE COMMUNIST TERRORISTS: AND THANKS TO THEIR SPLENDID BEHAVIOUR AND TO THE STEADFAST SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE OF HONG KONG, THE AUTHORITIES REMAIN WELL IN CONTROL OF THE SITUATION. THE COLONY IS CONTINUING ITS NORMAL LIFE: AND IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT ITS EXPORTS FOR EACH MONTH SINCE THE DISTURBANCES BEGAN HAVE EXCEEDED THOSE FOR THE CORRESPONDING MONTHS LAST YEAR.

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2. GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD DISCUSS WITH MINISTER AND GOVERNOR AND LET US HAVE ANY COMMENTS AS MATTER OF URGENCY.

3. IN PREPARATION FOR SUPPLEMENTARIES WE SHOULD ALSO BE GRATEFUL TO RECEIVE BY LATER TELEGRAMS DETAILS AS AT 23 OCTOBER OF:

- (A) CASUALTIES FATAL AND NON FATAL
- (B) TOTAL NUMBER OF ARRESSTS, CONVICTIONS, ACQUITTALS AND RELEASES, ALL WITH EFFECT FROM BEGINNING OF DISTURBANCES: AND
- (C) TOTAL PRISON POPULATION AS AT THAT DATE.

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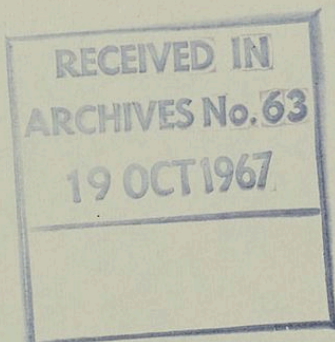
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Following for Hall from Galsworthy.

Anthony ^{ROYLE} Royde M.P. has put down question
and for reply on 24 October asking Secretary of
State if he will make statement on
situation in Hong Kong. Following is text
of draft reply which we propose to submit:

"The month of August was marked by
an increased resort to terrorism on
the part of the Communists, and bomb
incidents have continued since then
with fluctuating intensity. I know the
House will join me in deploring
the loss of life and injuries caused
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by this odious and quite pointless terrorism, and in expressing our sympathy to those who have been affected by it.

Incidents have occurred on the frontier varying from minor incursions of civilians to more serious incidents such as the abduction of police personnel and civilians.

The Hong Kong police have continued to act vigorously against the Communist terrorists; and thanks to their splendid behaviour and to the steadfast support of the people of Hong Kong, the authorities remain well in control of the situation. The Colony is continuing its normal life; and it is significant that its exports for each month since the disturbances began have exceeded those for the corresponding months last year.

2. Grateful if you would discuss
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with Ministers and Governor and let
us have any comments as matter
of urgency.

3. In preparation for supplementaries
we should also be grateful to receive
by later telegram details as ~~at~~ at
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(a) casualties fatal and non fatal

(b) total number of arrests, convictions,
~~acquittals~~ acquittals & releases,
all with effect from beginning of
disturbances; and

(c) total prison population as at
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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No.1538 of 17 October.
Repeated for information to POLAD Singapore, Washington and
Canberra.

Sitrep for period 140800 to 170800.

My immediately preceding telegram.

The level of violence decreased somewhat during 16 October.
This may be the result of the effect of continued arrests and
injuries of those involved in bomb incidents and demonstrations
but it is too early to be certain. Police action against the
Communist middle school on the same day may serve as deterrent to the
deployment of students in bomb planting and demonstrations.
However it seems unlikely that there will be any marked reduction
in these incidents until Lord Shepherd has departed.

Please pass Washington 324 and B.H.C. Canberra 118.

Sir D. Trench

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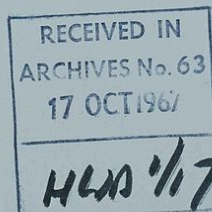
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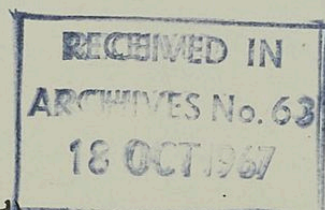
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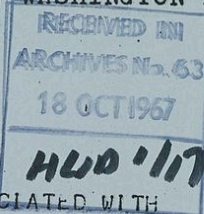
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ADDRESSED C.O. 1537 REPEATED POLAD SINGAPORE, WASHINGTON AND CANBERRA

SITREP FOR PERIOD 140800 TO 170800.

MY TELEGRAM 1528.



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THE SPATE OF DEMONSTRATIONS AND BOMB PLANTING ASSOCIATED WITH LORD SHEPHERD'S VISIT CONTINUED WITH 677 REPORTS AND 163 TRUE BOMBS DURING THE THREE DAYS UNDER REVIEW.

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2. BETWEEN 140500 AND 150500 THERE WERE 202 BOMB REPORTS, OF WHICH 46 WERE GENUINE. IN HONG KONG AT 141200 FOUR SUSPECTED BOMBS WERE FOUND OUTSIDE THE WANCHAI PUBLIC MARKET. WHEN POLICE ARRIVED, A BOMB WAS THROWN INJURING TWO INSPECTORS AND 16 CIVILIANS. SHOTS WERE FIRED AT THE BOMB THROWERS ON A ROOF, BUT WITH NO RESULT.

3. IN KOWLOON AT 140920 AN RAOC N.C.O. SUSTAINED SERIOUS INJURIES TO LEFT HAND WHEN BOMB HE WAS INVESTIGATING EXPLODED. AT 141300 A POLICE INSPECTOR AND ONE POLICEMAN SLIGHTLY INJURED WHEN A BOMB BEING DEALT WITH EXPLODED.

4. AT MAN KAM TO ROAD BRIDGE, A SENIOR INSPECTOR OF POLICE WAS ABDUCTED - SEE MY TELEGRAM 1530.

5. BETWEEN 150500 AND 160500, THERE WERE 282 BOMB REPORTS, OF WHICH 73 WERE GENUINE. SOME OF THESE BOMBS WERE MORE SOPHISTICATED THAN PREVIOUSLY, AND THERE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN AN ATTEMPT TO DISPERSE THE EFFORTS OF THE BOMB DISPOSAL TEAM BY PUTTING DOWN DEVICES IN CLEAR WATER BAY ROAD TO THE EAST OF KOWLOON, AND THEN LAYING MORE BOMBS IN CENTRAL KOWLOON.

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6. DURING THIS PERIOD ON HONG KONG ISLAND THERE WERE 117 REPORTS AND 20 TRUE BOMBS. A BOMB WAS THROWN INTO A POLICE STATION. AT 152035 A MILITARY PATROL HAD A HOAX BOMB THROWN AT THEM FROM A BUILDING AND FIRED ONE ROUND AT THE THROWER. SEMICOLON NO ARRESTS WERE MADE. AT 160100 AN RAOC WARRANT OFFICER WAS INJURED WHILE DISPOSING OF A BOMB IN THE CENTRAL DISTRICT.

7. IN KOWLOON THERE WERE 118 REPORTS AND 42 TRUE BOMBS. AT 151900 A DEMONSTRATION OF ABOUT 250 PEOPLE IN SHAN SHUI PO WAS DISPERSED BY THE POLICE WITH GAS AND BATON SHELLS. AT 151920 IN THE YAUMATI AREA, A SMALL DEMONSTRATION WAVING BANNERS AND CHANTING SLOGANS WAS BROKEN UP AND 36 PERSONS MAINLY DISMISSED GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT, ARMED FORCES AND HOSPITAL WORKERS UNION WERE ARRESTED. AT 2030 IN A RESETTLEMENT ESTATE A BOMB EXPLODED KILLING THE HOLDER AND INJURING TWO ACCOMPLICES. AT 2125 A CROWD OF ABOUT 300 IN THE MA TAU KOK AREA OF KOWLOON WAS DISPERSED WITH BATON SHELLS.

8. BETWEEN 160500 AND 170500 THERE WERE 193 BOMB REPORTS, 44 GENUINE. IN HONG KONG AT 0830 A PUPIL OF A COMMUNIST MIDDLE SCHOOL WAS INJURED BY A BOMB HE HAD PLACED ON THE ROOF TOP OF THE BLOCK IN WHICH HE LIVED WHICH ALSO HOUSES A COMMUNIST BANK. LATER THE POLICE RAIDED THE SCHOOL AND MADE ARRESTS. THROUGHOUT THE DAY AND EVENING THERE WERE 18 TRUE BOMBS, MANY ON TRAM LINES, OUT OF 113 REPORTS SEMICOLON ONE MAN WAS INJURED AND TWO CROWDS DISPERSED.

9. IN KOWLOON A CROWD ASSAULTED THREE OFF-DUTY POLICE OFFICERS WHO HAD ARRESTED A MAN FOR PAINTING SLOGANS. ONE OF THE CONSTABLES WAS INJURED BY A CHOPPER AND THE MAN ESCAPED. AT 1900 IN ARGYLE STREET, A RESIDENTIAL AREA, A CROWD CHANTING SLOGANS WAS DISPERSED AND FOUR ARRESTS MADE. AT 170200 AN EXPLOSION OCCURRED ON A POLICE LAUNCH, ALONGSIDE THE PIER AT CHEUNG CHAUCISLAND. A NUMBER OF PERSONS ON THE PIER AT THE TIME WERE DETAINED.

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10. AT MAN KAM TO TWO BROADCASTS WERE MADE AT 0930 AND 1605

WARNING WORKMEN TO STOP WORK ON THE NEW POLICE POST OR SUFFER THE CONSEQUENCES.

11. POLICE ACTION AGAINST COMMUNISTS TARGETS CONTINUED DURING THE PERIOD AND FURTHER SEIZURES OF INFLAMMATORY MATTER AND WEAPONS WERE MADE.

12. FOOD SUPPLIES HAVE NOT BEEN ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE CLOSURE OF THE MAN KAM TO ROAD BRIDGE. NORMAL SUPPLIES OF LIVESTOCK ARE CONTINUING TO BE BROUGHT IN BY RAIL.

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SIR D. TRENCH

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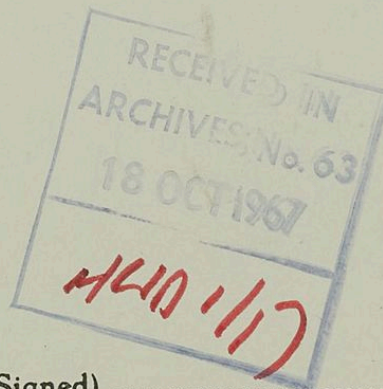
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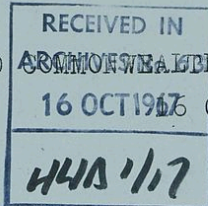
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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

Telegram No. 1534

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1534 of 16 October,
Repeated for information to POLAD Singapore, Washington and Canberra.

For Commonwealth Office and Cabinet Office for J.I.C. Following from L.I.C.

Weekly assessment of the situation as at 160600Z hours follows in two parts. (Part One only for Canberra).

Part 1.

The principal features of the Communist confrontation during the period have been:-

a) The relative failure of the fisherman's strike which continued on 9 and 10 October. Landings of fish were reduced by 50% but prices remained steady and no inconvenience was caused to consumers. (Telegram No. 1513 refers).

b) A resurgence of sporadic street demonstrations by small groups of students and workers who invariably dispersed on arrival of police, leaving behind real and 'hoax' bombs. In addition to widespread and large scale planting of bombs, there have been a number of instances of explosives being thrown at police patrols and military bomb disposal squads. The first of these outbreaks coincided with the arrival in the Colony of Lord Shepherd and have continued thereafter. 185 genuine bombs and 389 'hoax' bombs were reported. 18 of these exploded on impact or before the arrival of bomb teams and caused the death of a police constable and a civilian: injuries were sustained by ten police officers, four military personnel and forty five civilians. Twenty Communists were arrested for planting bombs. Two were shot and injured resisting arrest. Two terrorists were killed and one seriously injured by the premature explosion of their own bombs.

c) A directive issued to Communist Trade Unions on 9 October by the Chairman of the All Circles Anti Persecution Struggle Committee calling on Union members to attend a mass rally in memory of "martyrs" killed during confrontation. This rally, originally scheduled for 12 October but later postponed to an unspecified date, is intended to be held simultaneously at a number of Communist premises. Admission will be by ticket only.

d) A number of incidents in the border area. On 11 October at Man Kam To, a Hong Kong resident who accidentally detonated a military mine was taken into C.T. for treatment. Later the same day a civilian from a B.T. village was kidnapped and taken to C.T. by four Chinese /farmers

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farmers. On 16 October there was an incursion at the western extremity of the border by a party of six people from C.T. in pursuit of two escapees from China, one of whom was captured and escorted back to China by two members of the party. The remaining four members were arrested by police and have been charged with false imprisonment (telegram No. 1528 paragraphs 5 to 7 refer). On 14 October a group of 20 farmers from C.T. kidnapped a senior Inspector of Police at Man Kam To and took him back to China when demands, for removal of the border secondary fence, were rejected. The bridge at Man Kam To was subsequently closed by us, for an indefinite period (telegram No. 1530 refers). A demand for the return of the Inspector made to an official of the local New China News Agency Office on the evening of 15 October met with the answer "I will pass your message to my Director" (i.e. Head of NCNA). The PLA took no active part in any of these incidents, although they deployed a company in defensive positions by the Man Kam To Bridge.

e) Continued anti-British propaganda in the Communist Press. During the early part of the week this centred on the CPG Protest Note concerned alleged interference with CPG National Day celebrations by Government which was also accused of a "two Chinas policy" in permitting Nationalist (KMT) celebrations on 10 October. Capital was made from the entry into China of the Hong Kong resident injured at Man Kam To with criticism of the military for "indiscriminate planting of mines and delay in providing medical attention". Later in the week emphasis shifted to the upsurge of violence which was described as a "welcome to Lord Shepherd" the perpetrators being encouraged to continue acts of this nature. The abduction of a police officer at Man Kam To was described as "retaliation for pointing machine guns at farmers" but no mention was made of the remaining border incidents.

2. Police action against Communist targets continued during the week and resulted in further arrests and the seizure of inflammatory matter. Following receipt of information to the effect that some Communist "fighting units" intended to attack Nationalist (KMT) decorations in Kowloon on 10 October a total of thirty one police raids on Communist targets were carried out as a preventative measure. On 11 October, a Vice-Chairman of the Federation of Trade Unions (FTU) who is also the Secretary of the Coppersmiths' Union and a member of the All Circles Anti Persecution Struggle Committee (ACAPSC) was arrested and detained under the Deportation of Aliens' Ordinance.

3. In the event the Nationalist (KMT) celebrations on 10 October passed off remarkably quietly and the only incident affecting the celebrations involved two 'hoax' bombs found in a restaurant prior to the start of a KMT function (telegram 1516-paragraph 3 refers).

4. While there has been no official news of the two police constables who entered China by mistake on 29 September

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(540) (telegram No. 1500 refers), a report published on 14 October in a Communist newspaper described them as "defectors". On the same day a leading member of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce (CGCC) stated that the two constables and ex-superintendent John Tsang would soon broadcast appeals over Radio Ville Verde calling on members of the Police Force to defect. This indicates that there is little hope of the constables being returned in the immediate future, if at all, and that the Chinese will attempt to make propaganda capital out of their alleged defection.

(546) 5. A second inspection of the Communist controlled school previously visited last week (paragraph 3 of telegram No. 1509 refers) was completed without incident. The attitude of school officials was less hostile on this occasion.

6. The resumption of planning in local Communist circles to stage a large scale memorial service, for the "martyrs" who have died in the course of confrontation, is probably designed to rejuvenate the anti-Government feelings of Communist rank and file, without coming into direct conflict with the authorities. These services will, no doubt, be used by the local Communist hierarchy to assess the amount of support they still have: if the response proves disappointing from the Communist viewpoint it is possible that, as happened earlier, the services may be postponed indefinitely.

7. The incidents in the border area do not appear to have preplanned or connected with the upsurge of violence in urban areas. It is at present difficult to assess what may happen to the police officer abducted at Man Kam To. It is likely that he is now in the hands of the PLA who will probably accord him better treatment than his abductors. He could be held as a hostage against Government's accession to various demands or interrogated to obtain a "confession" for propaganda purposes. It is possible also, of course, that his abduction may be regarded as an embarrassment by the CPG and that he will be quickly released, as happened in the case of the police constable abducted at Sha Tau Kok on 7 October 1967. The local Communist Press reports regarding the incident are comparatively mild in tone: this, together with the non-committal response by the New China News Agency official, indicates that local Communists are awaiting instructions from China as to how they should play the abduction.

8. The outbreak of widespread incidents timed to coincide with the arrival in the Colony of Lord Shepherd indicated a greater degree of co-ordination and control than has been apparent in previous activities of this nature. Editorial comment in the Communist Press supports the view that this use of violence is designed to demonstrate, at first hand, to a representative of Her Majesty's Government that the Communists are far from beaten and have no intention of abandoning the struggle. There is little doubt that, encouraged by the Press and supporting statements by various Anti-Persecution Struggle Committees, these incidents will

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continue until at least the date of the Minister's departure.

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Sir D. Trench

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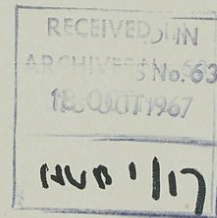
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For CDS, Chairman COSAUST, CDS NZ.

Sitrep 16th October.

1. Hong Kong.

- a. The double tenth passed quietly. Incidents since 12 Oct have shown a marked increase.
 - b. Border (1). Abductions.
 - (a) 11th Oct. Hong Kong villager attacked by four men half a mile from Ta Ku Ling on road to Lin Ma Liang. Dragged into Chinese territory through gap in border fence.
 - (b) 12 Oct. Police arrested four Communist Chinese at Pak Hok Chai (GR 962901) after two others were seen to abduct a man with hands tied behind his back across the river into Chinese territory.
 - (c) 14 Oct. At Man Kam To. Senior Inspector F.G. Knight was surrounded by group of 20 farmers from Communist territory whilst discussing the rights and wrongs of some wire laid in 1962 on Chinese farmed land in British territory. At 19401, after about four hours of discussion he was forcibly abducted across the border. Bridge closed early 15 Oct. 2 Coys 1/7 GR and troop LG deployed in area.
2. Chinese Male who had Police permission to enter closed border area to visit grave wounded by mine inside wire guarding company position at Man Kam To. Taken by companions and labourers across bridge into Communist territory.
3. No news of those abducted nor of two police who inadvertently crossed border 29 Sep.

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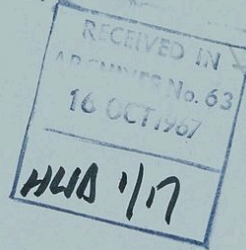
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HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

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160830 Attention Glover

Sitrep 1.

Two men died as a result of an explosion which occurred outside Block 2 of Ngau Tau Kok low cost housing estate shortly after 8 p.m. yesterday.

One of the men was killed outright while the other died in hospital early this morning.

The two men were believed to have been planting bombs when the explosion occurred.

About two hours later police arrested a man in a shop in Wong Tai Sin district on suspicion of being connected with the explosion. At the time of his arrest the man had injuries on his head and legs. Early this morning his condition was described by hospital spokesman as still serious.

This was one of a number of incidents and bomb reports last night following a quiet day.

Between 7.30 and 8 last night there were simultaneous incidents in Tsuen Wan and Yau Ma Tei.

A small demonstration began to form but was broken up by police. However the crowd managed to plant several bombs both real and fake.

At the same time a crowd attempted to hold a demonstration march in Yau Ma Tei at the junction of Temple Street and Nanking Street but were prevented from doing so by police. Again bombs and false bombs were laid by the crowd before they dispersed.

In this incident police arrested 38 people who will appear in court on Tuesday on charges of participating in an intimidating assembly.

More Informs.

160845 Attention Glover.

Sitrep 2.

Just a while before in the Tai Kok Tsui area a crowd of about two hundred people were seen shouting and placing objects in Bedford Street.

A police party which arrived on the scene fired several rounds of tear-gas and several wooden projectiles to disperse the crowd.

Three objects and two bottles believed to contain acid were thrown at the police but did no harm.

While this was going on 4 men set fire to 2 Government vans outside Kowloon Office of P.W.D. in Farm Road. The front door of the building was also damaged by fire. The men escaped.

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On Hong Kong Island bombs and false bombs were planted in North Point to Shau Kei Wan area. A number of bombs were also planted in Western District and in Wan Chai, bombs were reported to have been placed at both ends of Johnston Road.

An object was hurled over a fence around Waterfront Police Station but this exploded on impact without doing any damage or harm.

In Desvoeux Road West an Army ammunition expert who was dealing with suspected bombs on the road fired one shot at some people who threw objects from an upper floor. No one was hurt.

Just before 10 p.m. police arrested a man after he had placed some objects suspected of being bombs at junction of Chai Wan Road and Tytam Road. Another man helping him got away but he was arrested one hour later. Ends Inform.

Sir D. Trench

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Press.

150700 Attention Glover.

Four police officers, one army ammunition expert and twenty-two civilians were injured yesterday in four explosions in Hong Kong. An army ammunition expert was injured when he was detonating a bomb in Hunghom in the morning. Sixteen people, including two police inspectors, were injured by a bomb which was thrown from height outside Wanchai market at about noon. Two hours later, eight people were injured in two separate explosions in Wanchai. A police inspector and a constable were injured in another explosion in Hunghom about an hour later. One hundred and twenty-three objects suspected to be bombs were dealt with by army ammunition experts yesterday. Thirty-five of these proved to be genuine.

Five people, including two women, were arrested by the police for either carrying or planting bombs.

A tribute was paid by the police to the civic consciousness of members of public who had assisted the police to arrest suspected bomb planters. A police spokesman said that they were very grateful to those people for setting a fine example of co-operation with the police in helping to beat the present bomb menace. He continued that the police were determined to use every available means, including the use of firearms, to stamp out this wanton menace to the lives of the public.

Ends informs.

Sir D. Trench

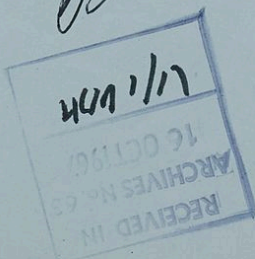
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Press.

141430 Sitrep. Ten people including two police inspectors were injured this afternoon by a bomb which was thrown from a height outside Wanchai market on Hong Kong Island. Victims who were not (repeat not) seriously injured were sent to hospital for treatment.

Police today offered two separate rewards of fifty thousand dollars each for information leading to arrests of persons responsible for two explosions last night in which a police constable and member of public were killed.

Bomb in Wanchai and another at Leighton Road on Hong Kong Island were only two real bombs found on Hong Kong Island up to two p.m. today.

In Kowloon three bombs were found in Ma Tau Chung Road but these were detonated by army ammunition experts.

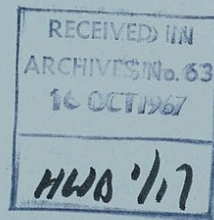
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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1529 of 14 October. Repeated for information to POLAD Singapore, Washington and Canberra.

My immediately preceding telegram.

The upsurge of violence starting 13 October appears to have been timed to coincide with the arrival of Lord Shepherd. The incidents indicate a greater degree of coordination than has been apparent in previous activities of this nature. The aim of local Communists may be to show representatives of Her Majesty's Government first hand that they are far from beaten and have no intention of abandoning the struggle. The Communist Press of 14 October is still advocating violence against Government.

The C.P.G. commercial circles, on the one hand, appear to be seeking a return to pre-confrontation trading levels; on the other, in the labour sphere, militants prompted by the Press appear determined to pursue their attacks on the Government.

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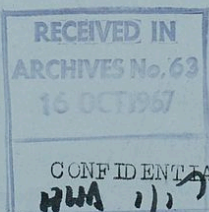
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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

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Addressed to C.O. telegram No. 1528 of 14 October.
Repeated for information to: POLAD Singapore Washington
Canberra.

Sitrep for period 110800 to 141200.

My telegram No. 1516.

There has been a substantial increase in bomb reports and a number of incidents in the urban areas and the border.

2. On 11 and 12 October, there were 28 and 35 reported bombs of which one and four were genuine. From 130800 to 141200 there were 359 bomb reports of which 73 were genuine. Explosions resulted in the death of one police officer and one civilian. Nine police officers, two military personnel and 30 civilians have been injured.

3. One incident occurred at 131935 hours in the Wanchai district, when a bomb thrown at a police patrol car landed on a tram, injuring eleven people, one of whom died later. Following this incident, two military members of a bomb disposal escort were slightly injured by a bomb thrown from a building. At 132100 hours, a police constable was killed by a powerful explosion while cordoning off an area on the Hong Kong waterfront.

4. At 131645 hours in the Kowloon Yaumati area a bomb thrown by a man in a crowd injured a police inspector and ten civilians. The man was arrested and will be charged with attempted murder. Later at 1915 hours another crowd in Sham Shui Po with banners and leaflets planted bombs and seven bombplanters were arrested, two after being injured by police fire. At 2015 hours a bomb thrown at a police landrover bounced off and exploded, injuring six passers-by.

5. On 11 October, an incident occurred at Man Kam To when a man visiting a grave for the Chung Yeung festival crawled through barbed wire surrounding an army post and sustained serious injury from a mine (my telegram No. 1515 (not to all) refers). The man has not yet been released by the Chinese authorities. This incident was given prominent coverage in the local Communist Press.

6. On the same day, a Ta Kwu Ling villager, resident of Lo Fong village until 1955, was kidnapped and dragged across the border by four Chinese farmers who till fields in British territory.

7. On 12 October at Pak Hok Chau (West of Lok Ma Chau police station) a party of men crossed the Shum Chun river and after searching huts, captured an illegal immigrant, and took him back to Chinese territory. Four members of the party, who continued to search the area, were arrested and detained. They claimed to be fishermen. Two small groups then crossed the river to demand the release of the four detained but after a period during which a minor scuffle occurred, they returned to China. The four men arrested are still in detention. Charges are being considered.

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8. The Communist Press have continued to condemn the Hong Kong Government for sabotaging C.P.G. National Day celebrations. Headline coverage on 14 October is devoted the increased number of incidents which are described as being staged to "welcome Lord Shepherd". During this period 12 raids have been conducted by the police on premises. 19 persons were arrested and a quantity of inflammatory documents seized.

9. Food supplies from China have been maintained at a satisfactory level.

10. See my immediately following telegram.

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Sir D. Trench

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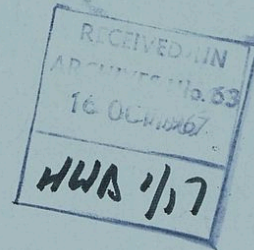
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PRESS

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Attention Glover.



In Hong Kong a police constable and an eighteen year old youth were killed while six police officers, two army ballistic officers and twenty-four civilians were injured in bomb incidents on both sides of harbour last Friday night.

The injured police officers were two inspectors, two corporals and two auxiliary police constables while the ballistic officers were army corporals.

The police constable who was killed was on cordon duty in Gloucester Road near Tonnochy Road when a bomb exploded. A police inspector and a corporal who were with him were also injured.

The youth was injured in a bomb incident at Hennessy Road. He died in hospital early this Saturday morning.

In the same area about ten people including two auxiliary police constables and two army corporals who were members of a ballistics team were hurt when a bomb was thrown from a building and landed on a tram.

In Kowloon a police inspector and ten other people were injured in the Yaumati area when two bombs were hurled at them, one from a building and another by a man from a crowd which gathered in the area.

The bomb thrower was later arrested by police and is expected to be charged with attempted murder.

In Shamshuipo district seven men were arrested following a demonstration by a crowd of about four hundred in Cheung Fat Street. Some of the people in the crowd were planting bombs in the area.

In making the arrests police had to open fire when one of seven men tried to snatch a revolver from a detective.

Two of the arrested men received gun shot wounds and were taken to hospital for treatment.

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Early this Tuesday morning police conducted searches on two premises - one in Kings Road and other in Tsat Tse Mui Road. Two men and a woman were arrested and some inflammatory poster and a inflammatory banner were seized.

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HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

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PRESS

131830 SITREP One. A police inspector and four civilians were injured when a bomb was thrown at them in Shanghai Street in Kowloon this afternoon.

Another bomb rolled into shop but did not (repeat not) explode. A man was arrested at scene. A bomb was found in his possession. He will be charged with attempted murder.

Nine other bombs were found in various parts of Colony today and detonated by army ammunition experts who also dealt with fortytwo suspected objects in Shaukeiwan area on Hong Kong Island early this morning.

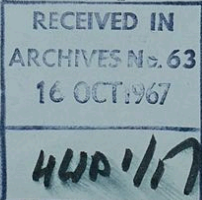
A new low cost housing estate to accommodate some thirty four thousand people in five thousand one hundred self contained room units is to be built by Government in Cheung Sha Wan district of Kowloon at an estimated cost of twenty five million dollars.

Eight fifteen storey blocks will be constructed on a thirteen point nine acre site bounded by Un Chau Street on North Cheung Sha Wan Road on South Hing Wah Street on West and Wing Lung Street on East.

Vast building scheme will include three primary schools with total of seventy two classrooms three kindergartens two vegetable markets shops administrative offices and fire station and ambulance depot.

Value of domestic exports for September showed an increase of thirteen point eight million dollars or two point three per cent over exceptionally high figure of five hundred eighty seven million dollars registered for September last year. Its also five percent up on last months figure.

Director of Commerce industry said today that import values on other hand showed decline of three hundred ninety five million or thirty six point six percent which is largely attributable to substantial reduction in imports from China which became very marked in August and continued into September. Value of re-exports also declined by fifty nine million dollars or thirty point six compared with September last year.



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Although imports declined substantially in September actual value was three point seven percent higher than in August reflecting improved imports from China in second half of September.

In first nine months of this year value of exports was fourteen point five percent higher re-exports twenty one point three percent higher and imports two point nine percent higher than for same period in nineteen sixty six.

131900 SITREP Two. Colonys accounts for month of August show a deficit of twentysix point sixty five million dollars. In same month last year deficit was thirteen point two million dollars.

Total deficit from April to August is still below that for the same period in nineteen sixty six being fifty three point eight million dollars compared with fifty seven point three million dollars a year ago. This does not (repeat not) take account of special expenditure arising from recent disturbances which amounted to nineteen million dollars by end of August.

Expenditure in August was one hundred sixteen point six million dollars compared with one hundred seventeen point two million last year. Revenue was however lower at ninety million dollars compared with one hundred four million dollars in nineteen sixty six.

Land sales amount to five million dollars less than in same period last year when several large transactions were credited during month; while internal revenue is down by six point five million dollars partly because of a reduction in yield of estate duty (which cannot of course ever be estimated with any accuracy) and some shortfall in stamp duty.

Mr. Ngan Shing Kwan Managing Director of China motor bus company last night assured public that they need not (repeat not) worry over bus situation.

Speaking to reporters after talks with union officials over bus crews grievances he said "we shall do our best, everything possible to put as many buses on road to build up our equipment and to train drivers". Minister of State for Commonwealth Affairs Lord Shepherd said on arrival in Hong Kong on eight day visit "Hong Kong receives many visitors. They come from many countries. They admire tremendous vitality and industry of its people. How can there be any doubt about this? evidence is all around to be seen. But despite tremendous achievements of Hong Kong there is still much to be done. Hong Kong is poised for further achievements.

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These must come not (repeat not) only by expansion and improved efficiency of industrial and commercial activities on which economy is based but also by increasing attention to social betterment of its people. We all hope fervently for resumption of conditions of peace and prosperity in which to take up these tasks.

"British Government and people have been deeply concerned about what has been happening in Hong Kong this year. Violence of any kind shocks everyone and when it brings harm and suffering to innocent bystanders its especially abhorrent. Government of Hong Kong has carried out its responsibilities to full in maintaining law and order and I would like to pay a very special tribute to all who have been concerned in this. They have performed their duties despite great provocation with firmness and restraint".

Sir D. Trench.

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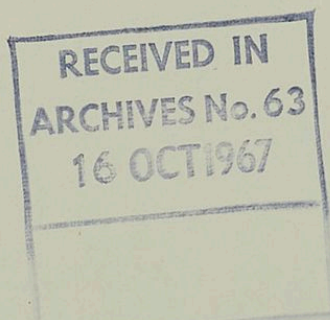
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Date 9th October, 1967.

My Reference (66) in 45/3371/67 Your Reference

Weekly Emergency Statistical Report

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My Saving Despatch No. 1501 of 10th

August refers.

I enclose two copies of the report
 for the week ending 4th October, 1967.

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EMERGENCY STATISTICAL REPORT

WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY, 4th OCTOBER, 1967.

A. POLICE REPORT.	Week 27th Sept/ 4th Oct.	Week 20/27th Sept.	Total since 4th May
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1. CASUALTIES

Police killed	-	-	6
Police injured	2	2	157
Military killed	-	-	1
Military injured	-	1	18
Other uniformed services killed	-	-	1
Other uniformed services injured	-	-	4
Opposition killed	1	-	21
Opposition injured	1	1	283
Others killed	-	-	10
Others injured	1	-	134
Burials by Government of Unclaimed Bodies	-	1	21
Other Burials	-	-	10
Bodies still unclaimed	-	-	-

2. POLICE USE OF FIREARMS

(a) Gas used	1	1	79
(b) Ball ammo used	1	2	49
(c) Casualties killed	1	-	16
(c) Casualties injured	-	3	38

3. ARRESTS

Total arrests	183	31	3879
Released (without charge)	126	49	1825
Acquitted	10	10	291
Convicted	34	96	1665
Died in custody	-	-	5
Remanded/Awaiting trial	92	78	*
Pending	1	2	*

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	27th Sept/ 4th Oct.	20th/27th Sept.	Total since 4th May
<u>ARRESTS. (cont)</u>			
Detention orders under Emergency Regulation 31	3	-	3
Deportation Orders under Emergency (Deportation & Detention) Regulations	-	-	22
Deported	-	-	-

Analysis of Convictions

Riot	5	4	316
Unlawful Assembly	4	6	456
Breach of Curfew	-	-	232
Inflammatory Speeches	*	*	69
Inflammatory Posters	*	*	155
Intimidation	*	*	137
Poss. of Bombs, Real	3	4	13
Hoax	2	1	21
Other Offences	*	*	266

4. DAMAGE

(a) Property

Government Buildings	-	1	40
Banks	-	-	24
Cinemas/Theatres	-	-	6
Other Buildings	-	1	40
Parking Meters	14	12	2380

(b) Vehicles

Government (incl. Police)	-	-	20
Buses	-	-	33
Trams	-	-	7
Taxis	-	-	22
Public Cars	-	-	6
Other Vehicles	-	-	56

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Week
27th Sept/
4th Oct.

Week
20th/27th
Sept.

Total since
4th May

BOMBS

Reports	155	338	314.3
False Alarms/Hoaxes	144	289	2708
Explosions	-	6	178
Unexploded bombs found as a result of reports	11	49	435
Unexploded bombs found as a result of search	-	2	60
Explosives recovered (sticks)			
Gelignite	-	-	116
Dynamite	252	142	562
Casualties/Police/Public			
Killed	-	-	5
Injured	1	-	162
Suspected Terrorists:			
Killed	-	-	2
Injured	-	1	8

6. POLICE RAIDS

Opposed	-	-	7
Unopposed	100	103	653

7. CURFEWS

Hong Kong Island	-	-	3
Kowloon	-	-	5
New Territories	-	-	1

8. ATTACKS ON TRANSPORT AND OTHER WORKERS

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FOOD REPORT - WEEK ENDING 4.10.67.

	28th Sept/ 4th Oct.	21/27th Sept.	28th Sept/ 4th Oct.	Average Retail Price \$/Catty	Normal Price
<u>SWINE</u> (Nos.)					
Local	1,934	2,380	4,381	4.00	3.20
China	34,225	27,410	35,326		
Overseas	1,911	2,909			
	38,010	32,699	39,707		
<u>CATTLE</u> (nos)					
Local	49	44	41	5.00	3.80
China	2,197	1,366	3,140		
Overseas	2,086	1,346	1,149		
	4,332	2,756	4,330		
<u>VEGETABLES</u> (Piculs)					
Local	33,152	28,806	Not	.78c.	.45c.
China	47,925	45,539	available		
Overseas	7,100	6,400			
	88,177	80,745			
<u>FRUIT</u> (Piculs)					
China	21,742	22,436	Not available		
<u>RICE</u> (tons)					
Stock 21.9.67.	87,978	81,900		1.00	.80c.
China imports	4,520	2,568			
Other imports	11,563	10,740			
Offtake 21/28	5,955	7,330			
Stock 26.9.6	98,106	87,978			

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STAFF POSITION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND UTILITY COMPANIES
4th OCTOBER, 1967.

Staff	Strength prior to disturbances	No. dismissed after strike	Number Reinstated	New Employees/Promotions	Present Strength	Percentage of pre-disturbances total
A. GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS						
Marine	1,187	318	81	36	*	83%
P.W.D. Waterworks	2,325	283	132	289	-	100%
P.W.D. G.E.M.B.	2,421	264	2	112	-	92%
P.W.D. Civil Engineering Office	2,510	119	1	-	-	95%
Resettlement	4,537	39	3	63	-	100%
Urban Services	12,470	485	4	465	-	100%
Post Office	1,688	151	1	151	-	100%
B. PUBLIC UTILITIES						
Star Ferry	590	590	389	69	456	77%
Hong Kong & Yamati Ferry	1,885	115	10	77	1,829	97%
Hong Kong Tramways	1,713	679	2	478	1,220	71%
China Motor Bus Co.	2,360	1,273	80	326	1,428	61%
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	7,194	4,907	720	760	3,687	51%
Hong Kong Electric Co.	978	148	12	54	858	88%
China Light & Power	2,745	709	52	319	2,407	88%
Hong Kong & China Gas	548	334	170	41	390	71%

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TRANSPORT POSITION
WEEK ENDING 4th OCTOBER, 1967.

Buses 27th Sept	Passengers daily average 19/25th Sept	Buses 4th Oct.	Passengers daily average 26th Sept./ 7th Oct.	Passengers pre- disturbance daily average	Percentage of pre- disturbance total.
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PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	356	1,088,826	366	1,122,769	1,868,369	60%
China Motor Bus Co.	223	376,361	234	387,704	569,488	68%
Hong Kong Tramways	127	389,608	143	410,373	369,488	85%

FREIGHT FROM CHINA

	Week ending 27th Sept	Tonnage	Week ending 7th Oct.	Tonnage	Pre-disturbance weekly Average	Tonnage	
K.C.R. Wagons	200		318		884		36%
River Boats	178	19,406	183	21,222	245	44,000	50%

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PRIORITY HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

Telno. 1512

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Addressed Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1512
of 11 October.
Repeated for information to Kuala Lumpur.
(For Hall of Commonwealth Office).

For your information Double Tenth passed off quietly.
There were fairly widespread nationalist celebrations and
many flags were flown. No determined Communist attempts
were made to disrupt the celebrations.

Commonwealth Office pass Kuala Lumpur as my
telegram No. 34.

Sir D. Trench

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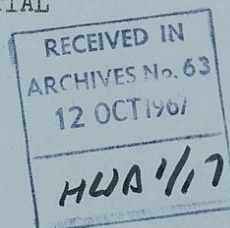
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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1517
of 11 October
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and Canberra

Situation Report for period 060800 to 110800.

My immediately preceding telegram.

The increase in bomb incidents during the period
preceding 10th October is believed to have been intended to
cause as much tension as possible for the Nationalist
celebrations and the police raids were designed to counter
these and other measures that may have been contemplated
by the militant Communists. The wide coverage given in
the Communist Press on 9th and 10th to the Peking protest
is also considered to have been timed for the same
disruptive reasons. However there were no significant
incidents and the K.M.T. supporters acted throughout as if
they intended to avoid trouble.

Foreign Office please pass Priority Washington as my
telegram No. 316 and Canberra as my 113.

Sir D. Trench

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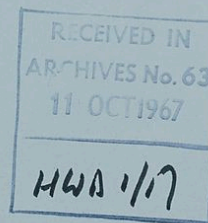
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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1516 of 11 October.

Repeated for information to POLAD Singapore, Washington and Canberra.

Sitrep for period 060800 to 110800. My telegram 1496.

There has been an increase in bomb activities during this period. On 6 and 7 October only one real bomb was found out of a total of 42 reports, but during Sunday 8th, there were 108 reports of which 19 were genuine. Incidents took place in Wanchai district of Hong Kong Island where on two occasions bombs were thrown at police/military investigation parties injuring one Army sergeant, 110 police (including an inspector and a sergeant) and four civilians. Further, bombs were found in Kowloon where a small crowd had to be dispersed with gas and baton shells.

2. On 9th there were 80 bomb reports of which 17 were genuine. During the evening, in a bomb throwing incident in Kowloon, a man, thought to be a bomb thrower, was seriously injured and died in hospital. On 10th there were two genuine bombs out of a total of 49 reported. The Communist Press described all these bombs and incidents as response to the All Circles Struggle Committee call for action.

3. The "double tenth" celebration passed off without serious incident. Functions were well attended and compared to 1966 there was a decrease in the number of nationalist flags displayed, although an increase in the new territories. Several large K.M.T. posters denouncing the Communists were removed from public areas in Kowloon. A group of Communist students were assaulted by a crowd in Rennies Mill Village (a strong nationalist area) when they attempted to remove nationalist flags.

4. An off duty police constable was abducted at Sha Tau Kok on 7th October but was returned on 8th. Since 7th October a number of cattle with anti-British slogans painted on them have been driven over the bridge at Man Kam To. On 8th October a small demonstration occurred at Man Kam To and on 9th three food lorries crossed over with inflammatory posters on them, two proceeded with the posters removed and the third returned to China.

5. During the period the police have conducted a number of selective raids, seizing quantities of inflammatory documents, crude or imitation weapons.

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6. Supplies of livestock and vegetables continue to cross the border in good quantities, and retail prices are gradually dropping.

7. On 9th and 10th the Communist Press gave prominence to Peking Protest Note. On 6th the Press also announced a three-day strike in the local fishing industry commencing 8th October. Landings were exceptionally high on 8th, but decreased on 9th and 10th probably because local fishermen holding commune licences were keeping at sea during this period, though bad weather has also had some effect.

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101945 Attention Glover. One person was killed and three others were injured in a bomb explosion in the Wangtauohom (repeat Wangtauohom) resettlement estate in Kowloon on Monday night. Since then there have been no (repeat no) reports of disturbances or bomb explosions although there has been speculation in local Press that local Communist agitators would create trouble today, Taiwan's National Day.

Up to seven thirty p.m. today situation has been quiet Ends Informs

Sir D. Trench.

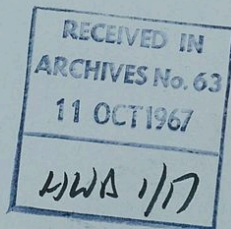
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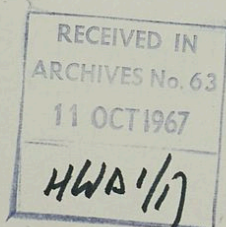
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Sitrep 9 Oct 67.

1. Hong Kong

- a. Border remains quiet except for abduction of one Hong Kong (Chinese) policeman from Sha Tau Kok on 7 Oct. He returned 8 Oct. In connection with this incident CT broadcast called on Gurkhas and police to defect and warned British not to try similar abductions or CCA would intervene. No news of two police who inadvertently crossed border 29 Sep.
- b. Bomb incidents. Four days with no true bombs, one day with one and two days more than twenty. These bombs were concentrated in time and location. 8 Oct ten police four civilians injured when two bombs thrown whilst police investigating suspect bombs, Army NCO slightly injured in second similar incident.
- c. 3 day strike called in protest against alleged police interference in national day celebrations scheduled to start 8 Oct ignored by fishermen and vendors.

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2. Mauritius. Rioting in Port Louis on evening 2 Oct by small groups of unemployed. 80 arrests, police soon had situation under control and Governor reported situation normal 4 Oct.

3. Brunei. Sultan abdicated 4 Oct.

4. Deployments.

a. Navy. HMS DREADNOUGHT arrived on station 8 Oct for two month training, trials and evaluation deployment.

b. Air. 4 Hunters deployed Hong Kong 4 Oct. 4 Argosies of 215 Sqn left Changi 7/8 Oct for Akrotiri and transfer to NEAF.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE
HONG KONG

26 Sept

Dear Arthur

The enclosed return - which is produced weekly - is worth a glance I think. To my mind, it shows clearly the extraordinary restraint of the security forces as well as the work that has been necessary to cope so well with the "bomb" nuisance.

Yours

David.

DAVID.

CONFIDENTIALEMERGENCY STATISTICAL REPORTWEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY 20th SEPTEMBER, 1967

A. POLICE REPORT Week 14/20th Sept. Week 6/13th Total
 Sept. Since 4th May

1. CASUALTIES

Police	killed	-	-	6
	injured	17	4	153
Military	killed	-	-	1
	injured	5	1	17
Other uniformed				
services	killed	-	-	1
	injured	-	-	4
Opposition	killed	1	-	20
	injured	7	13	281
Others	killed	-	-	10
	injured	33	3	133
Burials by Government of		-	-	20
Unclaimed Bodies				
Other Burials		-	-	9
Bodies still unclaimed		1	-	1

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(a) Gas used	5	1	77
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Convicted	112	30	1535
Died in custody	-	1	5
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3. ARRESTS, (cont) 13/20th Sept. 6/20th Sept. Total since
4th May

Detention orders - - -
under Emergency Regulation
31

Deportation Orders under - - 22
Emergency (Deportation
& Detention)
Regulations

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Possession of Bombs			
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Other Offenses	109	5	531

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Police Report Cont:	Week 13/20th Sept.	Week 6.13th Sept.	Total since 4th May
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Casualties: Killed	1	-	7 (including 2 terrorists)
Injured	58	1	168 (including 8 terrorists) week. about 1/3 in one

6. POLICE RAIDS

Opposed	-	-	7
Unopposed	72	26	450

7. CURFEWS

Hong Kong Island	-	-	3
Kowloon	-	-	5
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Star Ferry	590	590	389	69	454	77%
Hong Kong & Kowloon Ferry	1,885	115	10	68	1,820	97%
Hong Kong Tramways	1,713	679	2	382	1,139	66%
China Motor Bus Co.	2,360	1,273	77	267	1,368	58%
Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	7,194	4,907	677	487	3,394	47%
Hong Kong Electric Co.	978	148	12	44	854	87%
China Light & Power	2,745	709	50	285	2,371	86%
Hong Kong & China Gas.	548	334	170	36	385	70%

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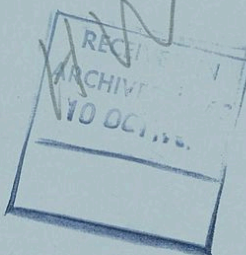
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Attention Glover Sitrep one. Twenty three sticks of gelignite two detonators and two coils of fuse were uncovered by police at midday today Monday during search of hillside behind a school in Quarry Bay in Shaukiwan on Hong Kong Island.

Students in several classes were evacuated as police carried out search.

Twelve detonators and three pounds of fuse were also found near Victoria Park in Causeway Bay on Hong Kong Island at about same time.

Four bombs were found in various parts of colony between nine a.m. and seven p.m. today. Bombs were detonated by army ammunition experts.

Mr. Victor H. Goodhew Conservative M.P. St. Albans said today it was most reassuring to learn of general confidence in Hong Kong Government and solidarity of people in present situation.

He told reporters before leaving at end of week long visit "It's heartening to see that so little support is being given to local Communists".

Mr. Goodhew said there was no repeat no evidence of any lack of security. The police and army he said are coping very well with situation.

Mrs. Susan Yuen Executive Director of Federation of Hong Kong Industries said today that coming festival of fashions in Hong Kong which is being promoted by Federation in conjunction with Trade Development Council would herald in a new image of Hong Kong industry.

Inform.

Sir D. Trench

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From the Governor, Hong Kong
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To the Minister of Overseas Development

Repeat:—

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No.

No.

Date 30th September, 1967.

My Reference (65) in 45/3371/67 Your Reference

Weekly Emergency Statistical Report

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My Saving Despatch No. 1501 of 10th
August refers.

I enclose two copies of the report for
the week ending 27th September, 1967.

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EMERGENCY STATISTICAL REPORT
WEEK ENDING WEDNESDAY 27th SEPTEMBER, 1967.

A. POLICE REPORT

Week	Week	Total since
20/27th Sept.	15/20th Sept.	4th May

1. CASUALTIES

Police	killed	-	-	6
	injured	2	17	155
Military	killed	-	-	1
	injured	1	5	18
Other uniformed services	killed	-	-	1
	injured	-	-	4
Opposition	killed	-	1	20
	injured	1	7	282
Others	killed	-	-	10
	injured	-	33	133
Burials by Government of Unclaimed Bodies		1	-	21
Other Burials		-	-	9
Bodies still unclaimed		-	1	-

2. POLICE USE OF FIREARMS

(a)	Gas used	1	5	78
(b)	Ball ammo used	2	4	48
(c)	Casualties killed	-	-	15
	injured	3	-	38

3. ARRESTS

Total arrests	31	97	3696
Released (without charge)	49	7	1699
Acquitted	10	11	281
Convicted	96	112	1631
Died in custody	-	-	5
Remanded/Awaiting trial	78	129	*
Pending	2	15	*

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	20/27th Sept.	15/20th Sept.	Total since 4th May
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3. ARRESTS, (cont)

Detention orders under Emergency Regulation 31.	-	-	-
Deportation Orders under Emergency (Deportation & Detention) Regulations	-	-	22
Deported	-	-	-

Analysis of Convictions

Riot	4	-	311
Unlawful Assembly	6	-	452
Breach of Curfew	-	-	232
Possession of Bombs			
Real	4	-	10
Hoax	1	3	19
Other Offenses	76	109	607

4. DAMAGE(a) Property

Government Buildings	1	-	40
Banks	-	1	24
Cinemas/Theatres	-	-	6
Other Buildings	1	-	40
Parking Meters	12	9	2366

(b) Vehicles

Government (inc. Police)	-	-	20
Buses	-	-	33
Trams	-	-	7
Taxis	-	-	22
Public Cars	-	-	6
Other vehicles	-	4	56

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Public Report Cont: Week Week Total since
 20/27th.Sept. 13/20th Sept. 4th May

5. BOMBS

Reports	338	289	2988
False Alarms/Hoaxes	289	252	2564
Explosions	6	11	178
Unexploded bombs found as a result of reports	49	37	424
Unexploded bombs found as a result of search.	2	1	60
Explosives recovered (sticks)			
Gelignite	-	-	116
Dynamite	142	-	310
Casualties; Killed	-	1	7 (including 2 terrorists)
Injured	1	58	169 (including 8 terrorists)

6. POLICE RAIDS

Opposed	-	-	7
Unopposed	103	72	553

7. CURFEWS

Hong Kong Island	-	-	3
Kowloon	-	-	5
New Territories	-	-	1

8. ATTACKS ON TRANSPORT AND OTHER WORKERS

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STAFF POSITION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND UTILITY COMPANIES
ON 27th SEPTEMBER 1967

Staff	Strength prior to disturbances	No. dismissed after strike	Number Reinstated	New Employees/ Promotions	Present Strength	Percentage of pre-disturbances total
A. GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS						
Marine	1,187	318	81	36	*	83%
P.W.D. Waterworks	2,325	283	132	289	-	100%
P.W.D. G.E.M.E.	2,421	264	2	103	-	92%
P.W.D. Civil Engineering Office.	2,510	119	2	-	-	95%
Resettlement	4,537	39	2	49	-	100%
Urban Services	12,470	481	4	464	-	100%
Post Office	1,688	151	1	151	-	100%
B. PUBLIC UTILITIES						
Star Ferry	590	590	389	69	454	77%
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TRANSPORT POSITION
WEEK ENDING 27th SEPTEMBER 1967

Buses 27th Sept.	Passengers daily average 19/25th Sept.	Buses 18th Sept.	Passengers daily average 12/18th Sept.	Passengers pre- disturbance daily average	Percentage of pre- disturbance total
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PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Kowloon Motor Bus Co.	356	1,088,826	325	1,065,209	1,868,369	58%
China Motor Bus Co.	223	376,361	208	381,303	569,488	66%
Hong Kong Tracways	127	389,608	117	384,924	369,488	81%

FREIGHT FROM CHINA

Week ending
27th Sept.

Tonnage

Week ending
18th Sept.

Pre-disturbance weekly
Average.

K.C.R. Wagons	200		80	884	25%
River Boats	178	19,406	164	245	75%

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CONFIDENTIALFOOD REPORT - WEEKENDING 27.9.67

	21/27.9.67	14/20.9.67	21/27.9.67	Average Wholesale Price S/ Picul Highest-Lowest	Retail Price \$/Catty	
<u>SWINE: (Nos.)</u>						
Local	2,380	2,626	4,600	270	220	)
China	27,410	25,430	40,817	230	210	) 5.00
Overseas	<u>2,909</u>	<u>5,504</u>	<u>453</u>	210	180	)
	32,699	33,560	45,870			
<u>CATTLE (Nos.)</u>						
Local	44	74	27	320		)
China	1,366	790	3,043	280	270	) 5.40
Overseas	<u>1,346</u>	<u>1,974</u>	<u>1,017</u>	320		)
	2,756	2,838	4,087			
<u>VEGETABLES (Piculs)</u>						
Local	28,806	23,843	Not	46		)
China	45,539	37,550	available	39		) .65¢.
Overseas	<u>6,400</u>	<u>5,200</u>				
	80,745	66,593				
<u>FRUIT (Piculs)</u>						
China	22,436	20,000	Not available			
<u>RICE (tons)</u>						
Stock 21.9.67	81,900			96	99.80	)
China imports	2,568			91	93	) 55¢ -
Other imports	10,740					1.20
Offtake 21/28	<u>7,330</u>					
Stock 28.9.6	87,978					

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1509
of 9 October
Repeated for information to POLAD Singapore, Washington and
Canberra

From LIC to JIC.

Weekly assessment of the situation as at 9 October
0600 hours follows in two parts (Part I only for Canberra).

The principal features of the Communist confrontation
during the period have been:-

(a) the completion of CPG National Day celebrations on 8
October: all held during the week were within the law.
Decorations have now been removed from Communist premises.
During the first three days of the week non inflammatory
broadcasts were made from several CPG vessels moored near the
water front. These stopped upon the arrival of the police.

(b) Publicity in the Communist Press for a statement
issued on 3rd October by the All Circles National Day
celebrations Preparatory Committee denouncing Government for
"provocative interference" with CPG National Day celebrations.
The next day the All Circles anti-Persecution Struggle
Committee (ACAPSC) called on all Struggle Committees and
"fighting units" to seek "revenge". On 5 October, Radio Peking
broadcast a report of the incident in Western district,
(paragraph 1 (b) of my telegram 1468 refers), warning the
Hong Kong Government against "hostile acts" and the same day
the Hong Kong and Kowloon fishermen's anti-Persecution Struggle
Committee announced a fish market strike from 8 to 10 October
in retaliation for the "October 10th false National Day".
This strike had little effect on the supplies of fish on
8 October.

(c) A resurgence of bomb incidents which followed the call
for "revenge" by the ACAPSC (paragraph 1 (b) refers). Forty
four gun powder bombs, including three which were thrown at
Security Forces, resulted in injuries to 6 police, an army
"bomb" expert and 4 civilians. All the "genuine" bombs
appeared on two days and were probably the work of two groups,
one on the Island and one in Kowloon. Three arrests were
made in connection with the incidents.

(d) Continued anti-British propaganda in the Communist
Press which resumed some of its former virulence in articles
and editorials condemning Government's "frenzied suppression
of National Day celebrations" and urging response to the
ACAPSC call for retaliatory action: in this context, the bomb
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incidents were credited to local "fighting units". The fishermen's "strike" was also given wide coverage. Attacks have been made on the Hong Kong Government for permitting the coming "double tenth" celebrations, it being claimed that this is part of a "two Chinas policy" plot.

(e) Continued improvement in the quantity of food and other supplies entering the Colony from China. The express passenger train service between Canton and Shum Chun has been maintained.

(f) The continued comparative calm of the border area. However, on 7 October an unarmed, off-duty police constable who was near the border at Sha Tau Kok was abducted and taken into Chinese territory (C.T.) where he was held until the following evening before being released. The Constable claims he was mistaken for a detective. On 7 October, two Nationalist (Kuomintang) flags found near the railway line close to the police post at Lo Wu were the subject of a mild protest by a representative of the China Travel Service (C.T.S.) (telegram 1502 refers).

2. Police action against Communist premises and organisations which halted on 30 September, was resumed on a reduced scale on 2 October. The customary seizure of crude weapons and inflammatory material resulted and a number of related arrests were made. A senior covert official in Communist labour circles, who is also the wife of the Secretary General of the Federation of Trade Unions, was arrested on 2 October and detained under the Deportation of Aliens' Ordinance.

3. A further inspection of a Communist controlled school was carried out without incident. Apart from evidence of the propagation of Mao's thoughts, no irregularities came to notice, although the attitude of the school officials was more hostile than in other recent inspections.

4. There has been a resurgence of minor labour disputes during the week, including one affecting cleaners at the airport who refused to clean aircraft until private security guards recently employed by a private maintenance company were removed, and another in which about one third of the workers in a textile factory staged a token strike in support of demands for increased pay, and improved working conditions. There is no evidence so far of any Communist involvement in these disputes, but the management of the textile factory has blamed "Communist agitators", a tendency which will no doubt be common in future and one which could be exploited by the Communists if managements adopt an unreasonable attitude.

5. The CCA has continued to impose strict control in the border area to prevent illegal escapees crossing into Hong Kong and no illegal immigrants have been arrested
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entering by land. Thirteen illegal immigrants have been arrested entering by sea (five from Macao and eight from China).

6. The reasoning which led the CPG authorities to release the abducted police constable is not at present clear, but among other possible factors it may be that they wish to lower tension at the border. There is no further news of the fate of the two police constables who crossed into China by accident (telegram 1500 refers).

7. Arrangements are well in hand by the Kuomintang (K.M.T.) in Hong Kong to stage celebrations on 10 October to mark the anniversary of the Sun Yet Sen Revolution. At present, there are no indications of any planned violence by either the KMT or the Communists, but the local Communist Press has launched a propaganda attack on Government for permitting the celebrations. The resurgence of bomb incidents could also be a related phenomenon.

8. The statements issued by the ACAPSC calling for "revenge" against Government for "sabotaging" the National Day celebrations and the resurgence of bomb incidents run counter to the policy of the Communist leaders to further confrontation through political study and United front work. However, they may be designed to create an air of tension with a view to disrupting the Nationalist (KMT) celebrations on 10 October and also to excuse the poor turn out at some of the 1st October celebrations. Despite the fact that the call by the ACAPSC inferred widespread action, the bombs planted so far appear to have been the work of two groups only. It is significant that the Radio Peking broadcast regarding the incident on 1st October, which was comparatively mild in tone, contained no demands, and that no official protest has been made by the CPG. These ACAPSC statements apart, all other evidence still points to a desire on the part of the leadership to conduct a long term struggle by peaceful means, though it is quite possible that we may continue to see intermittent incidents of violence organised by local Communist militants in pursuance of their "tit for tat" policy.

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Sir D. Trench Sent 0937Z 9 October 1967

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Press.

090700 Attention Glover.

It is now established that six police officers were injured in the incident at Wanchai last night when three bombs were thrown at them. All except two police constables had been admitted to hospital.

Three of the thirty odd suspected objects found in the Hunghom area were proved to be real bombs. No one was injured.

Three bomb carriers were arrested by the police in Wanchai last night. Two bombs carried were proved to be genuine while the third was a hoax.

During yesterday, four explosions occurred on Hong Kong Island and ten bombs were found and in Kowloon three bombs were discovered.

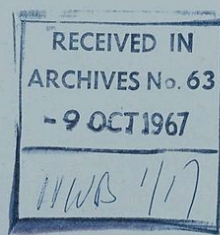
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PRESS

082245 Attention Glover.

The Chinese Police Constable who was abducted by five men at the border town of Shataukok on Saturday morning and taken across into Chinese territory, returned to Hong Kong territory on Sunday evening. He walked across the frontier by himself. He did not (repeat not) appear to be gravely hurt but he complained of pains in the back.

Five (repeat five) Chinese Police Officers and an Army Ballistics Officer sustained minor injuries this evening in a number of bomb incidents in the Wanchai district. Four (repeat four) persons were arrested. One of them was found to be in possession of a live bomb which was later detonated.

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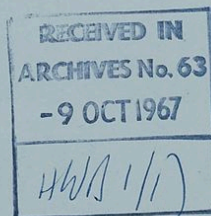
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Press.

082245 Attention Glover.

New spate of bomb planting was reported this evening. More than twenty suspected bombs, nearly all fakes, were found in Kowloon and at least sixteen suspected bombs were found in the Wanchai area.

About 100 people sang songs and chanted slogans in a demonstration staged in the Hunghom area of Kowloon. They refused to disperse when warned by the police. Three teargas shells and three Baton shells were fired to disperse the crowd. Nobody repeat nobody was injured and no repeat no arrests were made. A Banner with inflammatory characters and a fake bomb were found at scene after crowd had dispersed.

Ends. Informs.

Sir D. Trench

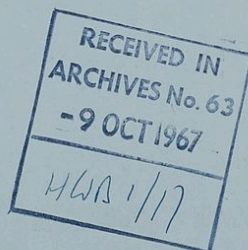
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Press

071345. Attention Glover.

An off duty Police Constable was this Saturday morning abducted from the border town of Shataukok in Hong Kong territory.

Constable who was in civilian clothes was seen being attacked in San Lau street about nine a.m. by five or six men. After a struggle he was seen to be dragged forcibly over border where he was set upon by a large crowd.

Hong Kong authorities have conveyed a message across.

Apart from this incident colony passed quiet night and morning.

Ends.

Informs.

Sir D. Trench

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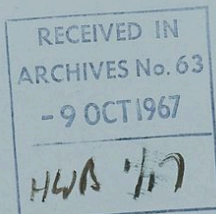
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Commander-in-Chief Far East General Sir Michael Carver said at Press conference today the army will continue giving Hong Kong people support to maintain peace and was satisfied the army has all it needed to maintain security here.

He said situation in Hong Kong has improved since his last July visit and added it was due to determination, common sense and realistic outlooks of Hong Kong people but cautioned that we could not remain complacent.

Three men faced eight charged with possession of bombs, detonators and dynamite were sentenced eight years imprisonment this morning.

Four members of Hong Kong Trade Mission returned this afternoon after Trade Promotion Tour in East Africa. Eddie Auyenung a member said more than seven million dollars worth of goods were transacted during the tour and another million dollars is pending confirmation.

He said the caravan displaying Hong Kong products to Africans is now touring Uganda and is expected to end 16 October.

Police unearthed about twenty pounds of firecrackers at Ap Lei Chau this afternoon and no (repeat no) one was arrested.

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Sir D. Trench

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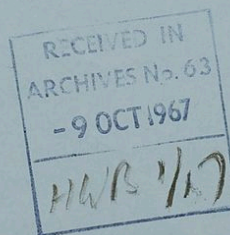
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TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (272)

7 OCTOBER 1967

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ADDRESSED CO TELNO 1500 OF 7TH OCTOBER RFI PEKING 567

(524) MY TELEGRAM 1468 : PARAGRAPH 3.

WE HAVE ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS ENQUIRED OF NCNA HERE WHETHER THEY HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THESE TWO POLICEMEN:

(A) P.C. 5232 HO YAT KUNG (0149/2480/1730) AND

(B) P.C. 8814 CHAN SHI WING (7115/1102/2837).

THE ONLY RESPONSE SO FAR HAS BEEN A PROMISE THAT THEY WOULD LET US KNOW IF THEY DISCOVER ANYTHING. LATEST INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE POLICEMEN HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO CANTON. NO ATTEMPT HAS YET BEEN MADE TO MAKE PROPAGANDA OUT OF THIS INCIDENT.

2. IT IS IMPORTANT FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF POLICE MORALE HERE THAT WE SHOULD BE KNOWN TO BE DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO HELP THE TWO CONSTABLES. AS IT IS UNLIKELY THAT WE SHALL

ACHIEVE ANYTHING THROUGH LOCAL CONTACTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, IT SEEMS TO US THAT THERE MIGHT BE ADVANTAGE IN BROACHING THE MATTER WITH THE MFA IN PEKING. ANY COMMUNICATION, WHETHER WRITTEN OR ORAL, WOULD AT LEAST HAVE THE EFFECT OF ENSURING THAT THE PEKING AUTHORITIES WERE AWARE OF THE FACTS OF THE CASE.

3. WE SHOULD BE GRATEFUL THEREFORE IF YOU WOULD CONSIDER INSTRUCTING H.M. CHARGE D'AFFAIRES TO DRAW ATTENTION OF THE MFA TO THE CASE IN ANY WAY THAT SEEMED TO HIM CONVENIENT. HE MIGHT PERHAPS TAKE THE LINE THAT THE TWO POLICEMEN INADVERTENTLY CROSSED INTO CHINESE TERRITORY AT MAN KAM TO ON 29 SEPTEMBER WHEN ON A PICNIC OUTING IN THE NEW TERRITORIES WITH A GROUP OF FRIENDS, THAT THEIR RELATIVES ARE WORRIED AT THE LACK OF NEWS AND WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR WHEREABOUTS AND STATE OF HEALTH, AND THAT WE THEREFORE HOPE THAT THE TWO MEN WILL BE PERMITTED TO RETURN TO HONG KONG AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

FO PLEASE PASS PEKING AS MY TELNO 567.

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SIR D TRENCH

SENT AT 07 0516Z

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061900 Attention Glover.

Following yesterday's spate of bomb report Hong Kong passed a quiet day today.

There was another sign of growing confidence in Hong Kong's economic future with a report that five American insurance companies are setting up business in Colony. The group includes some of the largest insurance companies with nation wide operations in the United States.

Commander in Chief Far East, General Sir Michael Carver now visiting the Colony today made extensive tour of military and police positions along border. He talked with officers and men at various border posts and heard from them how a state of peace and quiet had been maintained on the frontier due to the patient but resolute efforts of soldiers and policemen on the spot.

Sir Michael was accompanied on tour by the Commander British Forces in Hong Kong Lieutenant General Sir John Worsley.

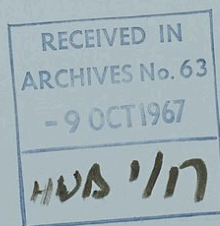
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Telno. 1497

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1497 of 6 October.

Repeated for information POLAD Singapore, Washington and Canberra.

My immediately preceding telegram.

Despite the call by the All Circles A.P.S.C. for revenge and the incidents in Kowloon in the last 24 hours, all the evidence indicates that this does not mark a general resumption of violence, but an attempt to compensate for the relative failure of 1 October celebrations. There may also be a desire to disrupt Nationalist celebrations on 10 October. The next few days should show whether this is a short term recrudescence or another demonstration of independence by the militants.

34 illegal immigrants have been arrested in the last week. All came in by sea.

Commonwealth Office please pass Washington 312 and Canberra 110.

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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

Telegram No. 1496

6 October, 1967

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Addressed to Commonwealth Office telegram No. 1496 of 6 October, Repeated for information to POLAD Singapore, Washington and Canberra.

(527) Sitrep for period ending 060800Z.

My telegram No. 1474.

All was quiet during the period 1-4 October apart from a few broadcasts from mainland lighters, and no bombs were found. On 4 October a statement was issued by the All Circles A.P.S.C. accusing Government of sabotaging C.P.G. National Day celebration and calling for revenge. This was published prominently by leading Communist papers on 5 October. On that morning in one area of Kowloon over 30 bombs were found, 22 being real, together with a large number of subversive posters.

2. Police have continued their raids on Left-Wing premises and found a number of inflammatory posters and home-made weapons. A prosecution has been instituted against two Left-Wing cinemas for performances without a police permit.

3. At Lo Wu propaganda broadcasts continue. On the night 4/5 October some inflammatory posters put up by farmers from Chinese territories on 1 October in area of Ta Ku Ling Police Post were covered up without incident.

4. 183 river lighters with 21,222 tons of cargo, about 50% of normal, arrived during the week. The number of railway goods wagons arriving fell over the 1 October celebration period, but has now picked up to about 60% of normal.

5. Food supplies continue to improve, marine fish and vegetables are available in normal quantities. Pigs continued to arrive during the week by sea, rail and road in quantities 90% of normal. Prices are continuing to fall but are still about 25% above May 1967.

Commonwealth Office please pass POLAD Singapore No. 379, Washington No. 311 and Canberra No. 109.

Sir D. French

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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (DTD)

Telex 1491

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In view of Peking telegram IMMA 109 to me, I have authorised the grant of transit visas to the acrobatic troupe. Grateful for your views on treatment to be accorded to future cases. Applications referred in IMMA telegrams 101, 102 and 107 still await Japanese visa authorisation.

Sir D. Trench

Sent 0358Z/ 6 October

Recd 0405Z/ 6 October

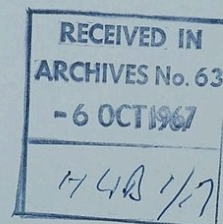
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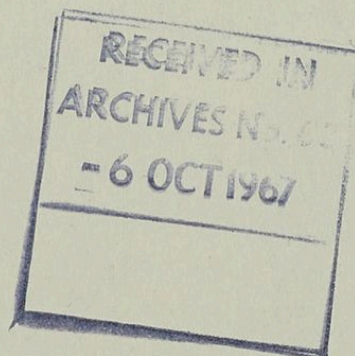
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IMMEDIATE HONG KONG TO COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (D.T.D.)

Telegram No. 159

6 October, 1967

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Addressed to Peking telegram No. 566 of 6 October,
Repeated for information to Commonwealth Office

Your telegrams Nos IMMA 103 and 106.

Visas may now be granted.

Sir D. Trench

Sent 0510Z 6 October

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IMMEDIATE PEKING TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Telegram No. 116

5 October, 1967

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Foreign Office pass to Governor Hong Kong as my telegram No. IMMA 109 of 5 October.

My telegrams Nos. IMMA 103 and 106.

The Chinese Foreign Ministry say the Japanese have authorised entry and have enquired daily about Hong Kong transit visas for the past few days and repeated this enquiry in interview today. They say the troupe must reach Japan by 8 October, which means leaving Peking early on 6 October. Grateful for news.

2. We also await reply to our telegram No. IMMA 101

Mr. Hopson

Sent 0800Z 5 October

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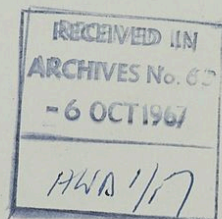
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